



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C. 20535

August 30, 2019

MR. JASON LEOPOLD

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

FOIPA Request No.: 1193607-000  
Subject: KHAN, SAMIR

Dear Mr. Leopold:

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552/552a. Below you will find check boxes under the appropriate statute headings which indicate the types of exemptions asserted to protect information which is exempt from disclosure. The appropriate exemptions are noted on the enclosed pages next to redacted information. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted to indicate where pages were withheld entirely and identify which exemptions were applied. The checked exemption boxes used to withhold information are further explained in the enclosed Explanation of Exemptions.

**Section 552**

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50 USC 3024(i)(1)

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**Section 552a**

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668 pages were reviewed and 240 pages are being released.

Please see the paragraphs below for relevant information specific to your request as well as the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for standard responses applicable to all requests.

- ☒ Document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning, other Government Agency [OGA].
- ☒ This information has been referred to the OGA for review and direct response to you.
- ☐ We are consulting with another agency. The FBI will correspond with you regarding this information when the consultation is completed.

Please refer to the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for additional standard responses applicable to your request. "Part 1" of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. "Part 2" includes additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records on individuals. "Part 3" includes general information about FBI records that you may find useful. Also enclosed is our Explanation of Exemptions.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the [www.fbi.gov/foia](http://www.fbi.gov/foia) website under "Contact Us." The FOIPA Request Number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request.

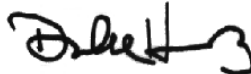
You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA online portal by creating an account on the following website: <https://www.foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing [foipaquestions@fbi.gov](mailto:foipaquestions@fbi.gov). If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.



See additional information which follows.

Sincerely,



David M. Hardy  
Section Chief  
Record/Information  
Dissemination Section  
Information Management Division

#### Enclosures

The enclosed documents represent the sixteenth interim release of information responsive to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request.

You were previously advised we were consulting with other agencies concerning information related to your FOIA request. A portion of that information has been returned to the FBI and has been processed, 130 pages were reviewed and 121 pages are being released. You will find these documents within this release.

Inquiries regarding your OGA referral may be directed to the following agency at:

National Security Division  
Department of Justice  
12th Floor  
3 Constitution Square  
175 N Street Northeast  
Washington, DC 20530

Upon receipt of the enclosed Compact Disc (CD), please go to [www.pay.gov](http://www.pay.gov) to make an electronic payment\* in the amount of \$15.00, or make a check or money order payable to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and mail it to the Work Process Unit, Record/Information Dissemination Section, Information Management Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, 170 Marcel Drive, Winchester, VA 22602. Please include the FOIPA Request Number with your payment. Failure to pay for this release within thirty (30) days from the date of this letter will close any pending FBI FOIPA requests from you. Nonpayment will also cause an automatic denial of any future FOIPA requests.

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## FBI FOIPA Addendum

As referenced in our letter responding to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, the FBI FOIPA Addendum includes information applicable to your request. Part 1 of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. Part 2 includes additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records on individuals. Part 3 includes general information about FBI records. For questions regarding Parts 1, 2, or 3, visit the [www.fbi.gov/foia](http://www.fbi.gov/foia) website under "Contact Us." Previously mentioned appeal and dispute resolution services are also available at the web address.

### Part 1: The standard responses below apply to all requests:

- (i) **5 U.S.C. § 552(c).** Congress excluded three categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA [5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010))]. FBI responses are limited to those records subject to the requirements of the FOIA. Additional information about the FBI and the FOIPA can be found on the [www.fbi.gov/foia](http://www.fbi.gov/foia) website.
- (ii) **National Security/Intelligence Records.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of national security and foreign intelligence records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and PA exemption (j)(2) as applicable to requests for records about individuals [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(1), (b)(3), and (j)(2); 50 U.S.C § 3024(i)(1)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records is itself a classified fact protected by FOIA exemption (b)(1) and/or would reveal intelligence sources, methods, or activities protected by exemption (b)(3) [50 USC § 3024(i)(1)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that national security or foreign intelligence records do or do not exist.

### Part 2: The standard responses below apply to all requests for records on individuals:

- (i) **Requests for Records about any Individual—Watch Lists.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of any individual's name on a watch list pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that watch list records do or do not exist.
- (ii) **Requests for Records for Incarcerated Individuals.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records which could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any incarcerated individual pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(7)(E), (b)(7)(F), and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (b)(7)(F), and (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.

### Part 3: General Information:

- (i) **Record Searches.** The Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS) searches for reasonably described records by searching those systems or locations where responsive records would reasonably be found. A reasonable search normally consists of a search for main files in the Central Records System (CRS), an extensive system of records consisting of applicant, investigative, intelligence, personnel, administrative, and general files compiled and maintained by the FBI in the course of fulfilling law enforcement, intelligence, and administrative functions. The CRS spans the entire FBI organization and encompasses the records of FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ), FBI Field Offices, and FBI Legal Attaché Offices (Legats) worldwide and includes Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) records. For additional information about our record searches visit [www.fbi.gov/services/information-management/foipa/requesting-fbi-records](http://www.fbi.gov/services/information-management/foipa/requesting-fbi-records).
- (ii) **FBI Records.** Founded in 1908, the FBI carries out a dual law enforcement and national security mission. As part of this dual mission, the FBI creates and maintains records on various subjects; however, the FBI does not maintain records on every person, subject, or entity.
- (iii) **Requests for Criminal History Records or Rap Sheets.** The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division provides Identity History Summary Checks – often referred to as a criminal history record or rap sheets. These criminal history records are not the same as material in an investigative "FBI file." An Identity History Summary Check is a listing of information taken from fingerprint cards and documents submitted to the FBI in connection with arrests, federal employment, naturalization, or military service. For a fee, individuals can request a copy of their Identity History Summary Check. Forms and directions can be accessed at [www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks](http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks). Additionally, requests can be submitted electronically at [www.edo.cjis.gov](http://www.edo.cjis.gov). For additional information, please contact CJIS directly at (304) 625-5590.
- (iv) **The National Name Check Program (NNCP).** The mission of NNCP is to analyze and report information in response to name check requests received from federal agencies, for the purpose of protecting the United States from foreign and domestic threats to national security. Please be advised that this is a service provided to other federal agencies. Private citizens cannot request a name check.

## **EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS**

### **SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552**

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information ( A ) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, ( B ) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, ( C ) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, ( D ) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, ( E ) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or ( F ) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

### **SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a**

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.



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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/23/2010

To: Counterterrorism

Attn: [redacted] Team 1

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Charlotte

Attn: SA  
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Attn: [redacted]

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A/SSA

From: Charlotte

Contact: IA [redacted]

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Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

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b7ETitle: (U) INTELLIGENCE ANALYSIS/PRODUCTION  
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CT - GLOBAL EXTREMIST INSPIRED

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To: Counterterrorism From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] b3  
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(U) Synopsis: ~~(S//NF)~~ This communication provides research results and assessments concerning the [redacted] Samir Khan, [redacted]

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Administrative: (S) [redacted]

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Derived From : FBI NSISCG-20080301  
Declassify On: 20350423

Details: (S//NF) [redacted]

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[redacted] Individuals close to Khan have expressed concern that Khan may become a martyr and he himself has indicated an interest in becoming a martyr. Finally, in October 2009, Khan traveled to Yemen with the possible intention of making hijrah. As of January 2010, intelligence suggests that Khan is involved with AQAP and actively planning attacks against the US.

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To: Counterterrorism From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED]

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(U) November 2008 New York Trip

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(U) Azzam Publications was a London-based organization that stated it was an independent media organization providing authentic news and information about jihad and foreign Mujahideen everywhere. Azzam Publications is alleged to have provided material support and resources to persons engaged in acts of terrorism through the creation and use of various internet web sites and e-mail communications.

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To: Counterterrorism From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] (Pending)

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To: Counterterrorism From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED] b7E

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(S) ~~(S//X)~~ [REDACTED] The following identifiers have been derived  
from FBI and open-source reporting:

Name:  
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SSAN:  
Location:  
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Phone 1:  
Phone 2:  
Phone 3:  
Phone 4:  
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Re: (U) [redacted]

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February 2009, [redacted]

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Additionally, [redacted] reported that he met with US citizen

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Re: (U) [REDACTED]

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Re: (U)

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Per [redacted] the FBI Newark investigation positively identified [redacted] as a member of the Ummah Tamer-e-Nau (UTN)

[redacted] UTN is characterized as a Pakistani based non-governmental organization (NGO) comprised of Pakistani scientists and former military officials with conservative Islamic beliefs that is believed to have been aiding Usama bin Laden (UBL/Al-Qa'ida in procuring Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) materials as well as assisting the terrorist network in gaining corresponding CBRN expertise.)

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In [redacted] asked a source [redacted]

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To: Counterterrorism From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted]

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[redacted] source [redacted]  
[redacted] the source [redacted]  
[redacted] [Analyst  
Note: [redacted]  
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(U) An [redacted] search of the phone numbers associated with  
[redacted] who had identified either  
[redacted] as their contact  
[redacted] The individuals are as  
follows:

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(U) An [redacted] search of [redacted] current address, [redacted]  
[redacted] New York identified [redacted]  
who listed [redacted] address on [redacted] The individuals are as  
follows:

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(U) Open source searches on [redacted] identified a  
[redacted] for [redacted] Due to [redacted]

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To: Counterterrorism From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] However, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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included numerous known members of [REDACTED] family which may  
be an indication that [REDACTED] is in fact related to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] In addition, one of the individuals linked to the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] is listed as a friend.

(U) [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] identified him as  
the [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Similar information was contained in a resume that [REDACTED]  
posted on the Internet. [REDACTED] identified himself as an [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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To: Counterterrorism From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED]

~~(S//NF)~~ Based on the information acquired and  
considered regarding [REDACTED] the Charlotte [REDACTED] recommends

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To: Counterterrorism From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED]

Accomplishment Information:

Number: 1

Type: [REDACTED]

ITU: [REDACTED]

Claimed By: [REDACTED]

SSN: [REDACTED]

Name: [REDACTED]

Squad: [REDACTED]

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Number: 1

Type: [REDACTED]

ITU: [REDACTED]

Claimed By: [REDACTED]

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Name: [REDACTED]

Squad: [REDACTED]

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To: Counterterrorism From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED]

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Info)

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(U) [REDACTED] TEAM 1. Read and clear.

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Set Lead 2: (Action)

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[REDACTED] The Charlotte [REDACTED] recommends you

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Set Lead 3: (Info)

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(U) [REDACTED] Read and clear.

Set Lead 4: (Info)

CHARLOTTE

AT CHARLOTTE, NC

(U) [REDACTED] Read and clear.

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Set Lead 5: (Info)

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[REDACTED] TEAM I. For your concurrence,  
please review the Charlotte recommendation for the initiation of  
an investigation on [REDACTED]

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To: Counterterrorism From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED]

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(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/19/2010

To: Charlotte

Attn: SA  
IA  
SA  
SOS

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[Redacted]

Counterterrorism

Attn: [Redacted]

Attn: [Redacted]

SSA  
SOS

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b7E

A/UC  
IA

Attn: [Redacted]

From: Charlotte

Contact: IA [Redacted]

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Approved By: [Redacted]

Drafted By: [Redacted]

Case ID #: (U)

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Title: (U) INTELLIGENCE ANALYSIS/PRODUCTION  
COUNTERTERRORISM

(U) ~~(S)~~ SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN

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(U) ~~(S)~~ [Redacted]

(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

b1  
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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

(S) [redacted]

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Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ This communication outlines associations of

(S)

Derived From: FBI NSISCG-20080301  
Declassify On: 20350419

Reference: (U) [redacted]

b3  
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Administrative: (S) [redacted]

(U)

Enclosure(s): ~~(S)~~ Enclosed find [redacted] reports and photographs for

b6  
b7C  
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Details: ~~(S)~~ Charlotte JTTF requested that Charlotte [redacted]  
[redacted] examine the following individuals for any  
derogatory reporting: [redacted]

(S)

subject of [redacted] If deemed appropriate, it was requested  
that Charlotte [redacted] recommend initiations of investigations based  
on findings. To conduct this research and consequent analyses,  
the Charlotte [redacted] the following databases: [redacted]  
[redacted] Automated Case Support (ACS),  
[redacted] and [redacted] while  
Searches of identifiers also were conducted using [redacted] while  
open-source information was acquired via the Internet. All known

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(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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(S)

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b1  
b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

Intelligence Analyst and will be forwarded to appropriate personnel upon receipt.]

(U//~~FOUO~~)

AKA

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b7C

BACKGROUND

(S//~~FOUO~~)

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b6  
b7C  
b7E

IDENTIFIERS

(U//~~FOUO~~) The following identifiers are derived from  
[REDACTED] DMV record and open source reporting:

NAME:  
ALIAS:  
SSAN:  
DL:  
DOB:  
POB:  
ADDRESS:  
  
PHONE:  
PHONE 2:  
PAST ADDRESS:  
  
PAST PHONE:  
OCCUPATION:  
  
BUS. ADDRESS:  
  
BUS. PHONE:  
BUS. FAX:  
BUS. WEBSITE:  
BUS. EMAIL:

b6  
b7C

EDUCATION

(S)

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b3  
b7E

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b6  
b7C  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

(U) ~~(S)~~ FBI reporting indicates that [REDACTED] has a degree  
in [REDACTED]

b3  
b6  
b7C  
b7E

TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS

(U) ~~(S)~~ Per [REDACTED] is associated with  
[REDACTED] This number is  
[REDACTED] b6  
[REDACTED] Public sources also associate [REDACTED] with b7C  
[REDACTED] The following [REDACTED] b7E  
information has been derived from a [REDACTED] database:

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b7C  
b7E

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(S)

~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

b1  
b3  
b7E

(S)

~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

b1  
b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

[redacted]

b3  
b6  
b7C  
b7E

(U) ~~(S)~~ Open-source references associate [redacted] with  
[redacted]  
[redacted] Charlotte, NC 28205. The following [redacted]  
information has been derived from a [redacted] database:

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b7C  
b7E

(S)

[redacted]

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b6  
b7C  
b7E

(S)

~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

b1  
b3  
b7E

(S)

~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

b1  
b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

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b6 Per CBP  
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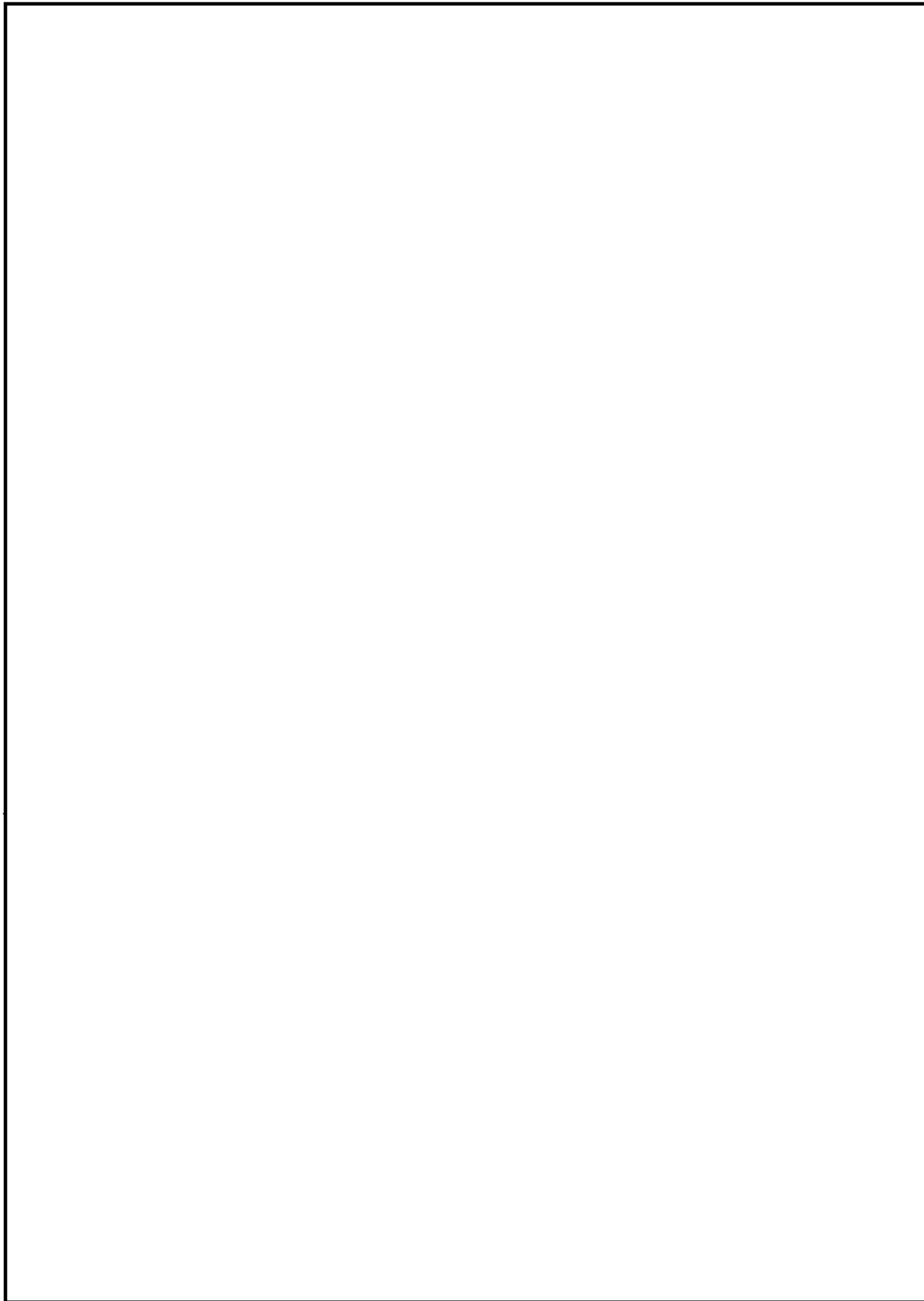
b1  
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(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

b1  
b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

b6 Per CBP  
b7C



OTHER REPORTING

(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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b3  
b7E



~~(S) SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

b1  
b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

(U//~~FOUO~~) DMV searches yielded negative results for warrants, concealed weapons permits, and criminal record.

(U) ~~(S//NF)~~ According to [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] [NOTE: This is consistent with sources  
that indicate that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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b7C  
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(U) ~~(S)~~ According to [redacted]  
[redacted] in 1996. Records list a  
branch of the business at [redacted]  
Charlotte, NC, and prior address for [redacted]  
[redacted] NC. [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] in accordance with  
Islamic standards. According to [redacted] he primarily sells to  
Muslims [redacted]  
[redacted]

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b7A  
b7C  
b7E

(U) ~~(S)~~ ACS records indicate [redacted] has been  
interviewed on multiple occasions. On 10/05/2001, [redacted] was  
interviewed in conjunction [redacted]  
[redacted]

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b7C  
b7E

(U) ~~(S)~~ On 10/16/2001, [redacted] provided information  
regarding an order placed [redacted]  
[redacted]

b3  
b6  
b7C  
b7E

(U) ~~(S)~~ A review of [redacted] associated with  
[redacted] reflects the following: [redacted] shows

b6  
b7C  
b7E  
b1  
b3  
b7E

~~(S) SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

(S)

~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

b1  
b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED], 04/19/2010

links to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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b6  
b7C  
b7E

(S//NF)

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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b3  
b7E

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~~(S//NF)~~ ACS records also indicate that [REDACTED] had  
telephonic contact with [REDACTED] main subject of  
[REDACTED]

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b6  
b7C  
b7E

~~(S)~~ Surveillance reporting indicates that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] subject of [REDACTED] has been observed  
leaving market with no purchases [REDACTED]

(U)

~~(S//NF)~~ According to [REDACTED] on  
12/31/2008, a CHS of known reliability was shown a photograph of  
[REDACTED] identified [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] NC. CHS  
described [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7D  
b7E

[NOTE: DMV records confirm that  
The descriptions of the [REDACTED] fit  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The CHS likely did not know  
[REDACTED] However, ACS reporting also indicated that  
the alternately spelled [REDACTED] is a known alias of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ACS and open-source reporting indicate that  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

latter being across the street from [REDACTED] It is  
possible that the CHS spoke in error about the identity of  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] do not  
match. It is also noted that [REDACTED] was last  
believed to be living in [REDACTED]

WORLDVIEW

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b7E

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

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b7C  
b7E

(S//~~NF~~)

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b6  
b7C  
b7E

(U//~~FOUO~~)

b6  
b7C

BACKGROUND

(S//~~NF~~)

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b3  
b6  
b7C  
b7E

[redacted] reporting indicates that the  
most recent address for [redacted]  
NC, [redacted]

(S)

~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

b1  
b3  
b7E


To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

NAME:  
FACEBOOK:  
EMAIL:  
SSAN:  
DL:  
DOB:  
PASSPORT:  
POB:  
ADDRESS:  
PHONE:  
PHONE 2:  
PHONE 3:  
OCCUPATION:

## EDUCATION

(S) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Open sources indicate that [REDACTED] was a student in the [REDACTED] as of September 2009.

(S) [redacted] (S//NF) [redacted] The following is known to be utilized by [redacted]

(S) [REDACTED] b1  
[REDACTED] b3  
[REDACTED] b6  
[REDACTED] b7C  
[REDACTED] b7E

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(S)

~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

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b7E

(S)

KNOWN ASSOCIATES (FACEBOOK)

(S)

(S) A review of [REDACTED] indicates that  
he is friends with [REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7E

[REDACTED] his [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] is  
also identified as being [REDACTED]

b6 Per CBP  
b7C  
b7E

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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b3  
b7E

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

b1  
b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

b6 Per CBP  
b7C

OTHER REPORTING

(U) DMV searches yielded negative results for warrants, concealed weapons permits, and criminal record.

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~~(S//NF)~~ According to [redacted]

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(U)

~~(S)~~ In a seizure of materials related to [redacted]  
[redacted] a business card was found with the following information:

[redacted]  
[redacted] [NOTE: The phone number here matches the one known to be associated with the [redacted]  
[redacted] No additional reporting or open-source references were found, though an interest on the part of [redacted] is consistent with [redacted]

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b7C  
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b7A

(U)

~~(S//NF)~~ [redacted] identifies [redacted] as the [redacted] 2004. [redacted] telephone number [redacted] is listed in his contact information, as well as the email address [redacted]

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b7C  
b7E  
b7A

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b7E

(S)

~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

b6  
b7C  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

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~~(S//NF)~~

A [REDACTED] of the email address

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b7E

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~~(S)~~ In December 2008, a CHS described an individual

[REDACTED] As  
[REDACTED] aforementioned, this has been assessed to be [REDACTED]

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b7C  
b7D  
b3  
b7E

(U) Open sources identified [REDACTED] as a [REDACTED] b6  
[REDACTED] 2009. It is b7C  
believed that [REDACTED]

WORLDVIEW

(U)

~~(S//NF)~~

In 2001, [REDACTED]

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b6  
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b7E

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] [NOTE: Open sources indicate that ICNA has had  
alleged connections to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] U.S. Department of State-designated Foreign Terrorist  
Organizations (FTOs). Anwar Aulahi, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] is known to have given a speech at an ICNA convention in  
Baltimore in 2002.]

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b1  
b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

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b6  
b7C

BACKGROUND

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b1  
b3  
b7E

IDENTIFIERS

NAME:  
FACEBOOK:  
SSAN:  
DL:  
DOB:  
POB:  
ADDRESS:  
  
PHONE:  
OCCUPATION:

b6  
b7C

EDUCATION

(S//~~NF~~)

b1  
b3  
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b7E

ACTIVITY

(U)

~~(S//NF)~~

The following is [REDACTED] using  
[REDACTED] derived from a [REDACTED] database.

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b7C  
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b7E

(S)

~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

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b7C  
b7E

b6 Per CBP  
b7C  
b7E

(S)

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b3  
b7E

(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

b1  
b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

b6 Per CBP  
b7C

KNOWN ASSOCIATES (FACEBOOK)

(U) A review of [redacted] Facebook page indicates that he is friends with [redacted] subject of [redacted] He is also friends with [redacted]

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b6  
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b7E

OTHER REPORTING

(U) DMV searches yielded negative results for warrants, concealed weapons permits, and criminal record.

(U) ~~(S)~~ In a seizure of materials related to [redacted] a business card was found with the following information: [redacted]

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[redacted] [NOTE: The phone number here matches the one known to be associated with the [redacted] Road address. No additional reporting or open-source references on [redacted] were found.]

(U) ~~(S)~~ In December 2008, a CHS described an individual working [redacted] the individual was described [redacted] The CHS further added that this individual [redacted] approximately six or seven years ago" and that he [redacted] and [redacted]

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(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

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b6  
b7C  
b7E

(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

b1  
b3  
b7E

(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

b1  
b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

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WORLDVIEW

(U//~~FOUO~~) Searches of FBI databases and open-source references did not yield evidence of an extremist worldview held by [redacted] a single statement by a CHS describes him only as "religious" [redacted] associations with Samir Khan [redacted]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) [redacted]

BACKGROUND

(S//~~NF~~) [redacted]

b1  
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b6  
b7C  
b7E

IDENTIFIERS

NAME:  
FACEBOOK:  
MONIKER:  
EMAIL:  
WEBSITE:  
SSAN:  
DL:  
DOB:  
PASSPORT:  
POB:  
LOCATION:  
OCCUPATION:  
PAST ADDRESS:  
  
PAST PHONES: .

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(S//~~NF~~) Searches in appropriate FBI and [redacted] databases that revealed results are outlined below. [NOTE: Many of the positive results for reporting associated with [redacted] have already

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(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

been documented in the Samir Khan investigation, [REDACTED]  
and are highlighted in this Electronic Communication.]

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ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

(S//~~XX~~)

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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b7E

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[REDACTED]

(S//~~XX~~)

[REDACTED]

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(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

[redacted]

(S//~~NOFORN~~) [redacted]

[redacted]

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(S//~~NOFORN~~) [redacted]

[redacted]

(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

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(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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b3  
b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

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(S//NF) [redacted]

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(S//NF) [redacted]

(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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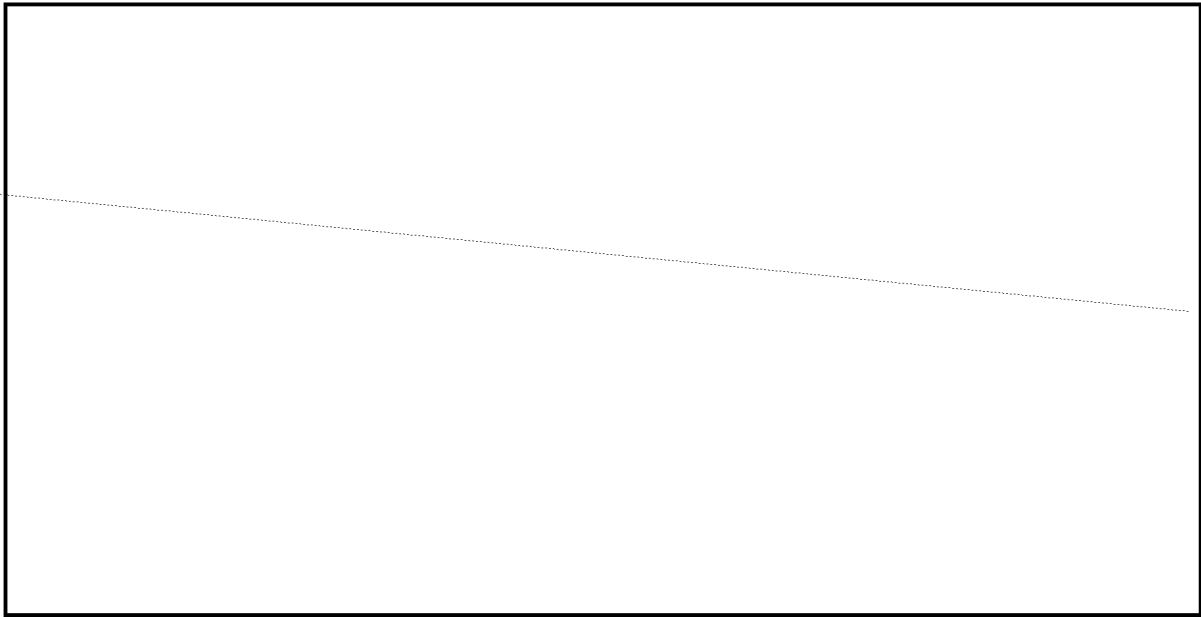
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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

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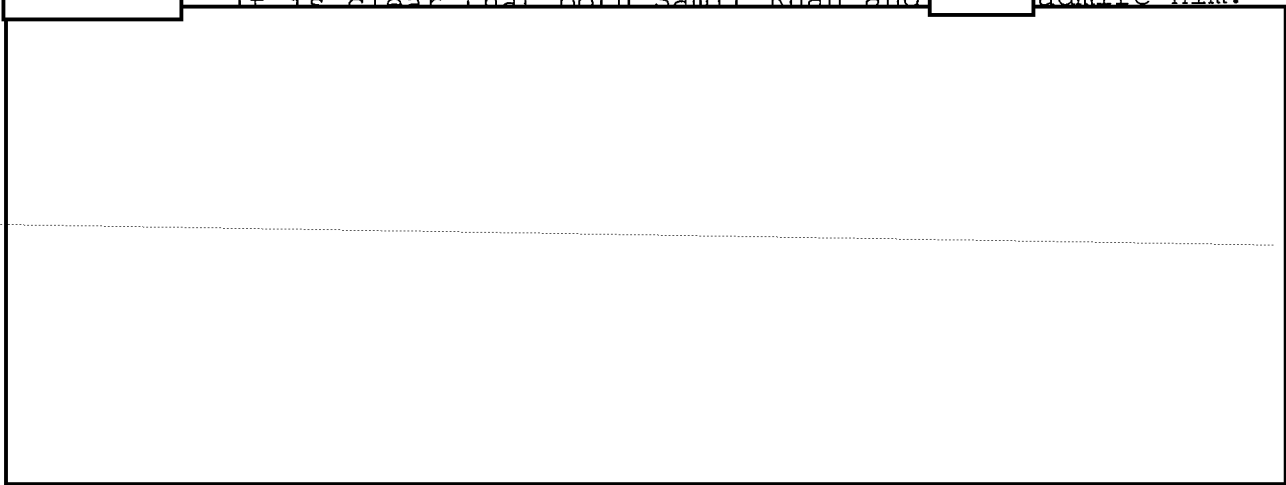
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[NOTE: Based on this context and previous reference, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] is assessed to be [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] (hereafter referred to  
[REDACTED] It is clear that both Samir Khan and [REDACTED] admire him.

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

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[redacted]

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[redacted]

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~~(S//NF)~~

[redacted]

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

~~(S//NF)~~

[REDACTED]

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b7E

KNOWN ASSOCIATES

(S)

[REDACTED]

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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b7E

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte

Re: 04/19/2010

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b6 Per CBP  
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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~

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b3  
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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

b6 Per CBP  
b7C

[NOTE: [REDACTED] indicates that he is currently outside of the United States.]

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b7C

EDUCATION/LOCATION

(S) ~~(S)~~ Given the [REDACTED] records, it appears as though [REDACTED] last departed the United States on [REDACTED]

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OTHER REPORTING

(U) DMV searches yielded negative results for warrants, concealed weapons permits, and criminal record.

(U) ~~(S)~~ In a seizure of materials related to [REDACTED] a business card was found with the following information:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] [NOTE: The phone number here matches the one known to be associated with the [REDACTED] address. No additional reporting or open-source references on [REDACTED] were found.]

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(S//~~FOUO~~)

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(U//~~FOUO~~) A review of [REDACTED] Facebook page reveals a personal website listed as [REDACTED]. The Xanga profile for [REDACTED] states that the user's name is [REDACTED] birthday is [REDACTED] gender is male, occupation is [REDACTED]

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WORLD VIEW

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

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(U) According to [redacted] Xanga profile, [redacted]

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he quotes [redacted]

Just thinking about what [redacted]

Xanga profile displays a picture of

[redacted] possibly

named [redacted] LNU, [redacted] LNU, and [redacted] LNU. Another photograph  
posted on 11/29/2005 appears to be of [redacted] and the caption reads

(U) According to an author page for [redacted]

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a online moniker frequently used by [redacted] the author writes, [redacted]

Allah." [redacted] [NOTE: It is  
unconfirmed that this posting was from [redacted] however, he is known  
to utilize this online moniker.]

(U//~~FOUO~~) Overall Assessment and Recommendations

(U) ~~(S)~~ Given the reporting and analyses documented above,  
Charlotte [redacted] recommends [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Given the reporting and analyses documented above,  
Charlotte [redacted] recommends [redacted]

(U) ~~(S)~~ Given the reporting and analyses documented above,  
Charlotte [redacted] recommends [redacted]

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Given the reporting and analyses documented above,  
Charlotte [redacted] recommends [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

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[redacted]

(S) (S) Given the reporting and analyses documented above,  
Charlotte [redacted]

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(S) (S) Given the reporting documented above, Charlotte  
recommends the continued use [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [REDACTED] 04/19/2010

LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1: (Action)

CHARLOTTE

AT CHARLOTTE, NC

(U) (S) [REDACTED] The Charlotte [REDACTED] recommends you consider  
[REDACTED]

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Set Lead 2: (Action)

CHARLOTTE

AT CHARLOTTE, NC

(S) (S) [REDACTED] The Charlotte [REDACTED] recommends you consider  
[REDACTED]

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Set Lead 3: (Action)

CHARLOTTE

AT CHARLOTTE, NC

(S) (S) [REDACTED] The Charlotte [REDACTED] recommends you consider  
[REDACTED]

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Set Lead 4: (Action)

[REDACTED]

AT [REDACTED]

(U) (S) [REDACTED] The Charlotte [REDACTED] recommends you consider  
[REDACTED]

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Set Lead 5: (Info)

COUNTERTERRORISM

AT [REDACTED]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: [redacted] 04/19/2010

(U) [redacted] [redacted] Read and clear.

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Set Lead 6: (Info)

COUNTERTERRORISM

AT WASHINGTON, DC

(U) [redacted] For your concurrence,  
please review the Charlotte [redacted] recommendation for the  
[redacted]

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Set Lead 7: (Info)

COUNTERTERRORISM

AT WASHINGTON, DC

(U) [redacted] For your concurrence,  
please review the Charlotte [redacted] recommendation for the  
[redacted]

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Set Lead 8: (Action)

WASHINGTON FIELD

AT WASHINGTON, DC

(U) [redacted] The Charlotte [redacted] recommends you consider  
[redacted]

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/24/2010

To: Charlotte

Attn: SA [redacted]  
IA [redacted]  
SOS [redacted]  
SA [redacted]

Counterterrorism

Attn: [redacted]  
SSA [redacted]  
SOS [redacted]

Attn: SA [redacted]  
IA [redacted]

Attn: SA [redacted]

Attn: [redacted]  
Det. [redacted]

Attn: SA [redacted]  
IA [redacted]

Attn: A/SSA [redacted]

From: Charlotte

Contact: IA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By:

Case ID #: (U) [redacted]  
(U) [redacted]  
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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010

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Title: (U) INTELLIGENCE ANALYSIS/PRODUCTION  
COUNTERTERRORISM

~~(U)~~ ~~(S)~~ SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - GLOBAL EXTREMIST INSPIRED

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IT - SUNNI EXTREMISM - AMERICAS

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~~(U)~~ ~~(S)~~ ANWAR NASSER AULAQI  
IT - SUNNI EXTREMISM - MIDDLE EAST

Synopsis: ~~(S//NF)~~ [redacted]

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Samir Khan [redacted]

Anwar Aulaqi [redacted]

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Declassify On: 20350524

(U) [redacted]

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Administrative: ~~(S)~~ [redacted]

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~~(S) SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010

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Details: ~~(S//NF)~~

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~~(S) SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte b3  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010 b7E

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~~(S) SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010

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~~(S) SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010

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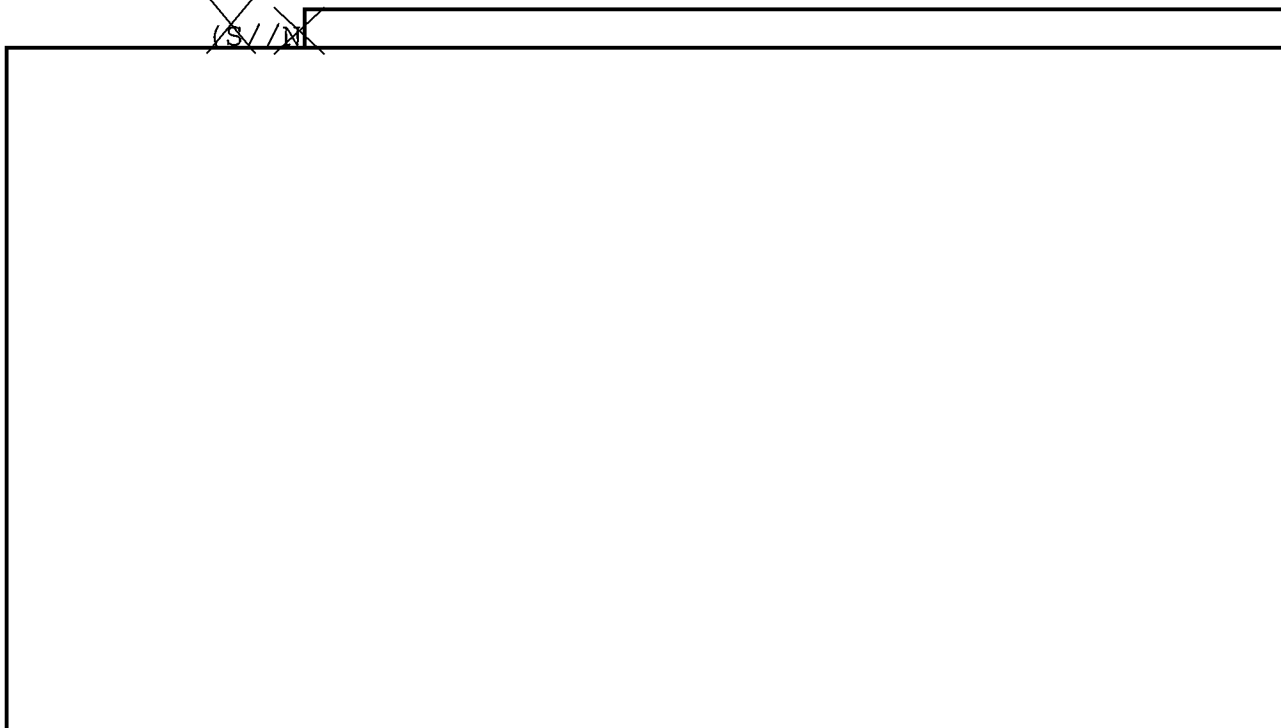
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(U//~~FOUO~~) Communication Review

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted], 05/14/2010

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED] 05/14/2010

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED] 05/14/2010

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [Redacted] 05/14/2010

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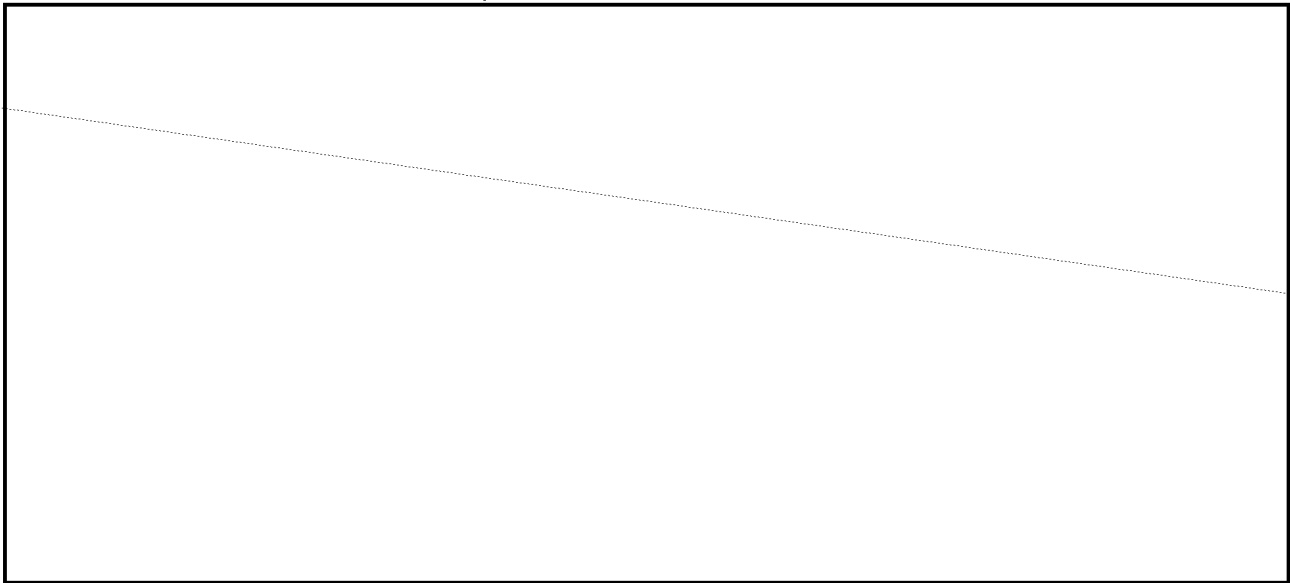
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Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010

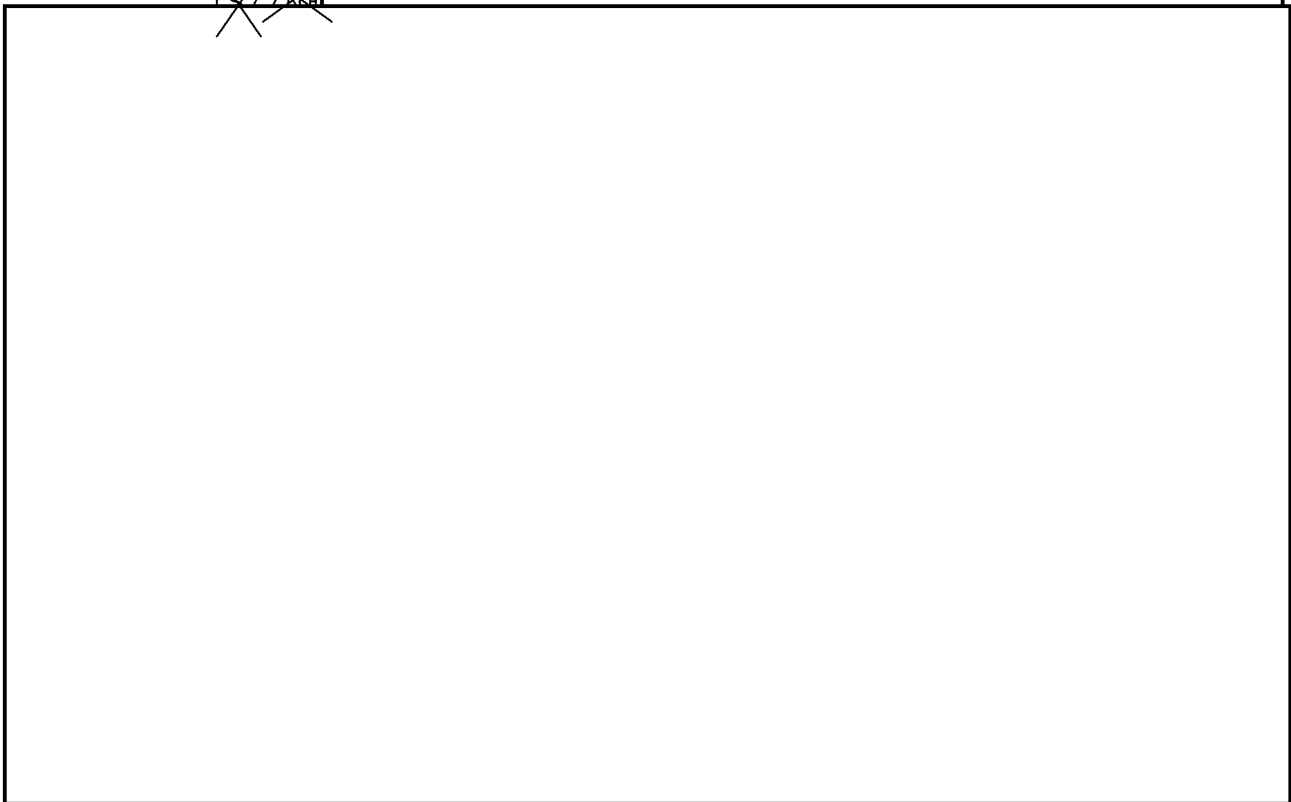
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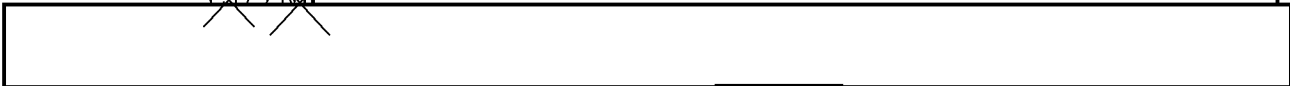
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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Travel Records

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2010

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(S) ~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT  
WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 08/04/2010

To: Charlotte

Attn: SA [REDACTED]

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To: Counterterrorism

Attn: [REDACTED]

SSA [REDACTED]  
SOS [REDACTED]

A/UC [REDACTED]  
IA [REDACTED]

From: Charlotte

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Contact: SOS [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: (U) [REDACTED]  
(U) [REDACTED]

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Title: (U) INTELLIGENCE ANALYSIS/PRODUCTION  
COUNTERTERRORISM

(U) ~~(S)~~ SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - GLOBAL EXTREMIST INSPIRED

(U) Synopsis: ~~(S//NF)~~ This communication provides research results  
concerning [REDACTED]

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Derived From: FBI NSISCG-20090645  
Declassify On: 20350804

(U) [REDACTED]

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Reference: (U) [REDACTED]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 08/04/2010

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Details: ~~(S//NF)~~ [redacted]  
was requested to conduct detailed research and analyses of [redacted]

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(S) [redacted] To conduct this research and consequent analyses,  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] while open-

source information was acquired via the Internet.

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~~(U//FOUO)~~ Identifiers

(U) ~~(S)~~ The following identifiers have been derived from  
FBI and open-source reporting:

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 08/04/2010

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Previous Address:

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Telephone 2:  
Telephone 3:

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Database Queries

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Google and Facebook queries of [redacted]  
and [redacted] yielded negative results.  
database searches for [redacted]  
[redacted] also revealed no derogatory information.

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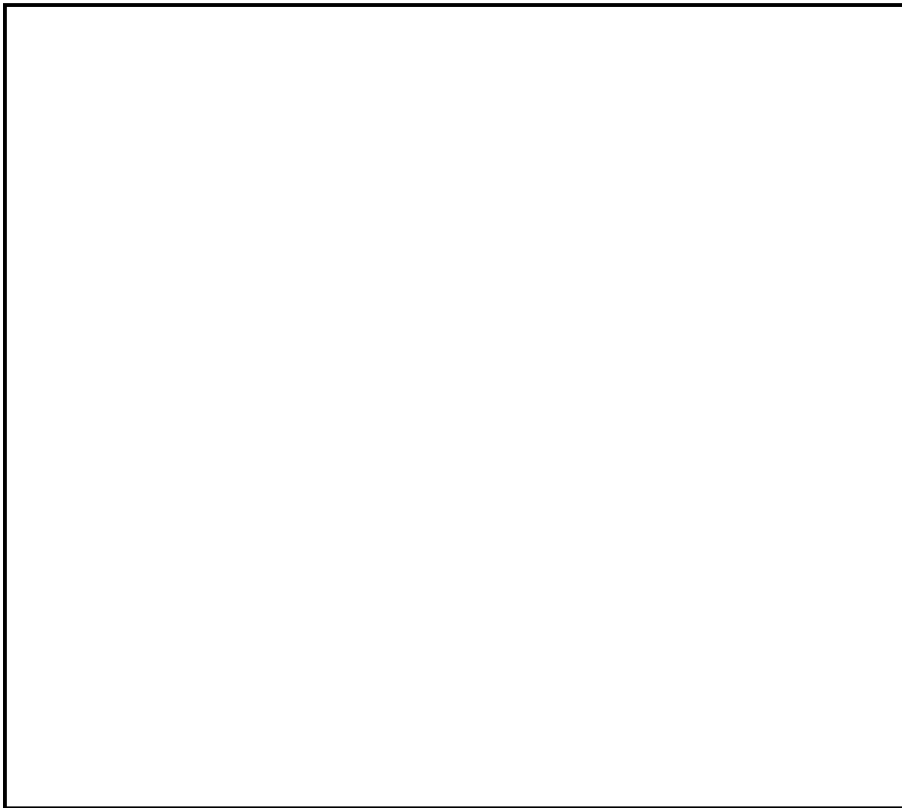
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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 08/04/2010

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Overall Assessment and Recommendation

(S//~~NF~~) According to [redacted]

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[redacted] (S)  
Open-source queries were conducted on [redacted] revealing his  
current location and identifying information. [redacted]

[redacted] No other information was  
discovered during the course of this research. [redacted] s  
association with Khan remains unclear.

(U) (S//~~NF~~) Based on the information acquired and  
considered with respect to [redacted]  
recommends that [redacted]  
[redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED] 08/04/2010

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LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Action)

CHARLOTTE

AT CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

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[REDACTED] recommends that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Set Lead 2: (Info)

COUNTERTERRORISM

AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Read and clear.

Set Lead 3: (Info)

COUNTERTERRORISM

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Read and clear.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 08/04/2010

To: [redacted]

Attn: A/Legat [redacted]  
Alat [redacted]

To: Charlotte

Attn: SA [redacted]  
SA [redacted]  
IA [redacted]  
SOS [redacted]

To: Counterterrorism

Attn: [redacted]  
SSA [redacted]  
SOS [redacted]

To: Counterterrorism

Attn: [redacted]

To: [redacted]  
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To: [redacted]

Attn: SA [redacted]  
Attn: SSA [redacted]  
Attn: SA [redacted]  
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Attn: SA [redacted]

From: [redacted]  
[redacted]

Contact: [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]  
[redacted]

Drafted By:

Case ID #: (U) [redacted]  
(U) [redacted]  
(S) (X) [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

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~~(S)~~ Title:

SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - GLOBAL EXTREMIST INSPIRED

(U) INTELLIGENCE ANALYSIS/PRODUCTION  
COUNTER TERRORISM

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Synopsis: (S)

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

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Reference: (U)

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Administrative: (S)

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Details: (S//~~OC/NF~~)

(U//~~FOUO~~) To conduct this research and consequent  
analysis,

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

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Name:

DOB:

POB:

DLN: Unknown

SSN:

Address:

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Email:

Monikers:

Occupation:

Education: Unknown

Marital Status: Divorced

Parents:

Brothers

Ex-Wives

Children

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[redacted] has been associated with multiple physical addresses in [redacted] and [redacted]. Many of those addresses have been associated with members of his extended family. He is believed to have returned from [redacted] on [redacted]. He was reportedly married and divorced from [redacted] (hereafter referred to as [redacted] and [redacted] (hereafter referred to as [redacted] and [redacted] with [redacted] (hereafter referred to as [redacted] s given name is [redacted] and comes from a family with deep ties to the African-American Muslim convert movement in the United States. His DOB is believed to be [redacted] was [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

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In an interview of [redacted] on [redacted]

[redacted] confirmed that he knew [redacted] and that they attended [redacted]

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[redacted] together for approximately [redacted]

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[redacted] also confirmed that an email was sent to [redacted]

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[redacted] on [redacted] from his email account [redacted]

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(S) ~~SECRET//ORCON/NOFORN~~ [redacted]

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

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~~(S)~~ The investigation of [redacted] was closed due to [redacted]

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[redacted] As such, he was no longer in a position of influence over the members of the mosque. [redacted] believed that while he was [redacted]

[redacted] himself was not involved in any illegal activity, or terrorism related matters. [redacted]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) [redacted] Criminal Activity

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Questionable Western Union Money Transfer

(U) ~~(S)~~ [redacted] provided the following information about two individuals assessed to be [redacted] (hereafter referred to as [redacted]) [redacted] is believed to have [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] A receipt for the transfer in question was found during the investigation of [REDACTED]. No other information regarding the receipt was found. The full names and addresses of those in question were not reported. [REDACTED] (Analyst

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[REDACTED] **Accused of Falsifying a Passport Application**

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[REDACTED] was accused of falsely listing the address of [REDACTED] as his "permanent address" on his passport application on [REDACTED]. The communication states that the [REDACTED] moved from that address in the summer of [REDACTED] when [REDACTED] purchased a home. According to [REDACTED] was applying for a new passport because his old one had been damaged. [REDACTED]

(Analyst Note: This information may indicate that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] **Accused of Possession of Pirated DVDs**

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[REDACTED] was detained and interviewed on [REDACTED] for allegedly being in possession of pirated DVDs. The Catawba County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) was called and warned of pirated DVDs being sold at a local flea market. The communication states that the DVDs were located and that [REDACTED] were then detained by local authorities. The CCSO then contacted the FBI after an investigator noticed possible radical Islamist material in [REDACTED] car. The FBI reviewed the material and determined that the material did not represent an extremist ideology. During the interview [REDACTED] stated that he was [REDACTED] and an advocate of moderate Islamic principles and that the DVDs in question were a recording done of some lectures done by [REDACTED]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

[redacted] in Greensboro, North Carolina about the evils of Islamic  
extremism. The interview also provided this background  
information: [redacted] date of birth [redacted]

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[redacted] s drivers license showed an address of [redacted]  
[redacted] stated that he lived at  
[redacted] house at [redacted]  
and that he has a cell phone with number [redacted]

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[redacted] s International Travel

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b6 Per CBP  
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b7E

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b6 Per CBP  
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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

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No reporting was found indicating that [redacted] used any of the referenced lost, damaged or expired passports after a replacement had been issued. (Analyst Note: The fact that [redacted] has

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

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(hereafter referred to as

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Family Members in

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Name:

DOB:

Address:

Phone:

Email Address: Unknown

Family Members:

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According to

(hereafter referred to as

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No reporting has been found indicating that further

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

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investigation of [REDACTED] is warranted at this time.

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Name: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Phone: N/A

Email Address: Unknown

Family Members: Unknown

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[REDACTED] (hereafter referred to as [REDACTED], born in [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has a listed address of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the same address associated with [REDACTED]

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Name: [REDACTED]

DOB: Unknown

Age: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Phone: N/A

Email: Unknown

Family Members: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) According to [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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(S) ~~SECRET//ORCON/NOFORN~~ [redacted]

To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

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(U//~~FOUO~~) [redacted]

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Name: [redacted]

DOB: [redacted]

Address: [redacted]

[redacted]

Phone: [redacted]

Email Address: Unknown

Family Members: [redacted]

[redacted]

(U//~~FOUO~~) [redacted] (hereafter referred to as [redacted] is  
believed to be related to [redacted]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) [redacted]

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Name: [redacted]

DOB: [redacted]

Address: [redacted]

Phone: Unknown

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

Email Address: Unknown

Family Members:

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[redacted] is believed to be related to [redacted]

A search of

[redacted] s Facebook page lists [redacted]

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Name:

DOB:

Address: Multiple

Phone: Unknown

Email Address: Unknown

Family Members:

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[redacted] (hereafter referred to as

[redacted] is believed to be [redacted]

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Searches [redacted] produced no other information indicating she has been involved in any nefarious activity or that further investigation is warranted at this time.

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Re: 08/04/2010

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Other

Family Members

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Name:

DOB: Unknown

Address:

Phone:

Email Address: Unknown

Family Members:

(U) According to open source information,

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located at

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Re: 08/04/2010

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Name:

DOB:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Family Members: Undetermined

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There was no reporting indicating that the number associated with [redacted] had any direct communication with any targets of investigations or that he took place in any nefarious activity.

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Re: 08/04/2010

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Further investigation of [ ] would define the relationship between [ ] and describe the extent, if any, of [ ]'s use of the identified email address and phone number.)

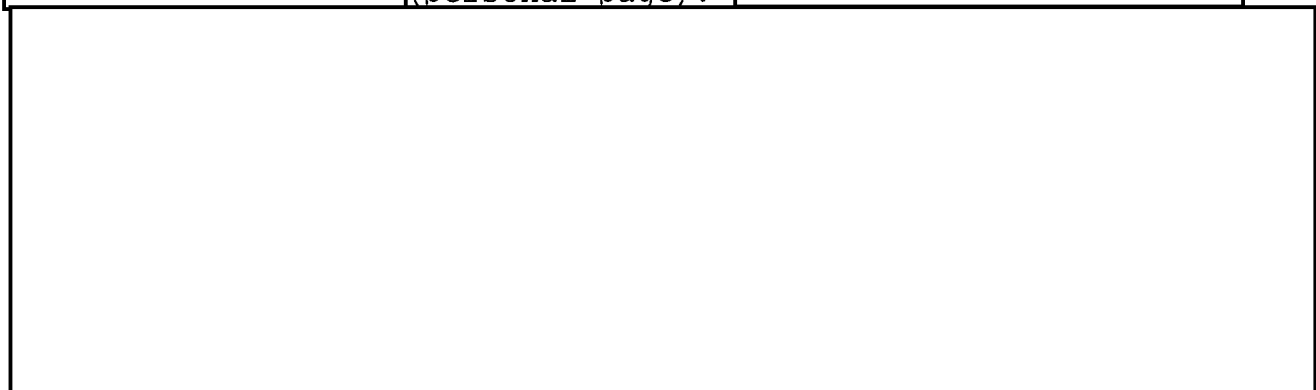
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(U//~~FOUO~~) The Facebook profile page for a [ ] shows a picture of [ ].  
[ ] (Analyst Note: It is assumed that this is [ ] is presumed to be [ ] and he appears to be in his [ ].  
[ ] The profile had restricted privacy settings but it did show that [ ] was linked to the fan page of [ ] (short for [ ] and [ ]. Other friends on Facebook include [ ].  
[ ] (personal page). [ ]



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(U//~~FOUO~~) [redacted] s DOB is [redacted] and his social security number is [redacted]. The address most recently associated with him is [redacted].

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The report states that [redacted] s current employer is [redacted]. The address listed is [redacted].

The site listed the business in the management consultants category. No other information about employees, a company website or detailed about what that company does could be found.

(U//~~FOUO~~) [redacted]

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Name: [redacted]

DOB: Unknown

Address: [redacted]

Phone: [redacted]

Email Address: Unknown

Family Members: [redacted]

[redacted]

(S//~~NI~~) [redacted]

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Re: 08/04/2010

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Name: [REDACTED]  
DOB: Unknown  
Address: [REDACTED]  
Phone: [REDACTED]  
Email: Unknown  
Family Members: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

(U//~~FOUO~~) [REDACTED] (hereafter referred to as [REDACTED] is  
(S) believed to be [REDACTED]

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Name: [REDACTED]  
DOB: [REDACTED]  
Address: [REDACTED]  
Phone: [REDACTED]  
Email Address: Unknown  
Family Members: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

(U//~~FOUO~~) [REDACTED] is believed to be related to [REDACTED]  
Her current address is believed to be [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] (Analyst Note: The [REDACTED] listed in the press release  
is believed to be [REDACTED] given that he said he [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] provided this  
information in an interview with investigators on [REDACTED]

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[redacted] is listed as [redacted]  
[redacted] The relationship between [redacted] had not  
previously been documented.

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(S) ~~SECRET//ORCON/NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Info)

[redacted]

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[redacted]

(U) For Information.

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Set Lead 2: (Info)

[redacted]

AT

[redacted]

(U) For Information.

Set Lead 3: (Info)

COUNTERTERRORISM

AT

[redacted]

(U) For Information.

Set Lead 4: (Action)

COUNTERTERRORISM

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[redacted]

(S) For your concurrence, please review [redacted]  
recommendation [redacted]

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Set Lead 5: (Info)

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(S) ~~SECRET//ORCON/NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

[redacted]

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[redacted]

(U) For Information.

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Set Lead 6: (Info)

[redacted]

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[redacted]

(U) For Information.

Set Lead 7: (Info)

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(U) For Information.

Set Lead 8: (Info)

[redacted]

(U) For Information.

Set Lead 9: (Info)

[redacted]

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[redacted]

(S) ~~SECRET//ORCON/NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: 08/04/2010

(S) The [redacted] recommends [redacted]

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Set Lead 10: (Info)

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AT [redacted]

(U) ~~(S)~~ For Information.

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

DATE 04-08-2019 BY [REDACTED]

NSICG

Charlotte FBI - [REDACTED]

From: "USNCB Internal Washington" [REDACTED] b6 Per Interpol  
To: [REDACTED] b7C  
[REDACTED] b7D Per Interpol

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 9:03 AM  
Attach: Khan1.jpg; Khan2.jpg  
Subject: KHAN, f/n Samir Zafar, born 25 December 1985  
PRIORITY: Non-Urgent  
DATE: 18 April 2011  
FROM: Interpol Washington  
TO: [REDACTED] b7C Per Interpol  
OUR REF: 20100411320 [REDACTED] b6 Per Interpol  
SUBJECT: KHAN, f/n Samir Zafar, born 25 December 1985 b7C

\*On behalf of the United States, please attempt to locate the following subject and immediately notify INTERPOL Washington and IPSCG.

## IDENTITY PARTICULARS

## CAUTION: THIS PERSON IS:

Armed  
Dangerous  
Violent

## PRESENT FAMILY NAME:

KHAN

## FAMILY NAME AT BIRTH / PREVIOUS FAMILY NAMES:

KHAN

## FORENAMES:

Samir Zafar

## SEX:

MALE

## DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH:

25 December 1985

Riyadh

Saudi Arabia

## FATHER'S FAMILY NAME AND FORENAMES:

KHAN, f/n [REDACTED]

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## MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME AND FORENAMES:

NAWAB, f/n [REDACTED]

## RESULT OF IDENTITY CHECK:

IDENTITY CONFIRMED

## NATIONALITY(IES):

United States : CONFIRMED:

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**IDENTITY DOCUMENTS:**

Nationality: United States  
Type: Passport  
Number: 301708539  
Date of Issue: 29 May 2002  
Place of Issue: South Carolina  
Expiry date: 28 May 2012

Nationality: United States  
Type: Driving License  
Number: 25188737  
Date of Issue:  
Place of Issue: North Carolina  
Expiry date:

Nationality: United States  
Type: Alien Registration  
Number: A040061311  
Date of Issue:  
Place of Issue:  
Expiry date:

**ALSO KNOWN AS:**

KHAN, f/n Samir Ibn Zafar; KHAN, f/n Sameer Zafar; Inshallahshaheed; Abu Risaas; Abu Irsaad; Macman; Shuman

**DESCRIPTION:**

Height: 168 cm  
Weight: 80 kg  
Build: Stocky  
Eye Color: Brown  
Hair Color: Brown

**DISTINGUISHING MARKS AND CHARACTERISTICS:**

May have a slight stutter

**OCCUPATION**

English Teacher, Salesman, Computer call center customer representative. KHAN has a A+ certification in information technology

**LANGUAGES SPOKEN:**

English  
Arabic  
Urdu

**REGIONS/COUNTRIES LIKELY TO BE VISITED:**

Yemen

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

**JUDICIAL INFORMATION**

**SUMMARY FACTS OF THE CASE:**

In late 2006, Samir KHAN came to the attention of the U.S. law enforcement authorities for his role in administering an online blog which advocated terrorism and violent jihad. On his online blog he expressed a radical worldview and this gained him international attention in October 2007 when he was interviewed by the NY Times. In this interview, KHAN claimed that he dreams about meeting Usama bin Ladin and that he would not rule out picking up a weapon himself one day.

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Investigation revealed that individuals close to KHAN expressed concern that Khan may become a martyr and he himself indicated an interest in becoming a martyr. In 2009, KHAN created the first US-based, English language, pro-jihad magazine, known as "Jihad Recollections," which published four issues and received significant international attention. In late 2009, KHAN traveled to Yemen. In July 2010, Al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP) released an online, English language magazine known as "Inspire." This issue contains advice on making a bomb and preparing for jihad. In October 2010, AQAP released a second edition of "Inspire." Within this issue, which encourages violent jihad and gives advice on how to conduct violent jihad, KHAN openly writes an article entitled, "I Am Proud To Be A Traitor To America." Within this article, KHAN accentuates his and "the mujahidin of the Arabian Peninsula's" oath of allegiance to Usama bin Ladin and states, "...We pledge to wage jihad for the rest of our lives..."

#### ACCOMPLICES:

#### PURPOSE OF NOTICE

To obtain information about identity, criminal record activities  
To trace and locate.

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CLASSIFIED BY: NSICG  
REASON: 1.4 (C)  
DECLASSIFY ON: 12-31-2036  
DATE: 04-09-2019

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 03/08/2011

To: Charlotte

Attn: SA  
SA  
SA

From: Charlotte

Contact: SOS

Approved By:

Drafted By:

Case ID #:

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(U) Title: ~~(S)~~ SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN

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Synopsis: ~~(S//NF)~~ Background information on

for interview of

and recommendation

~~Derived From : FBI NSISCG 20080301~~  
~~Declassify On: 20360308~~

Administrative: ~~(S)~~

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted] (S)

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 03/08/2011

**Enclosure(s):** (U) Enclosed find a Department of Motor Vehicle photograph of [redacted]

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**Details:** (S) It was requested that [redacted]  
[redacted] compile all reporting and identifying  
information on [redacted] FBI [redacted]  
subjects Samir Khan [redacted] (S)

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#### IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

(S) ~~(S//NF)~~ [redacted] The following is identifying information  
for [redacted]

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Name:  
AKA:  
DOB:  
SSAN:  
NC DL:  
Automobile:  
Passport number:  
Facebook ID:

Cell phone:  
Home phone:  
Addresses:

#### OPEN SOURCE RESEARCH

(U) ~~(S//NF)~~ [redacted] According to an open source search of Facebook,  
[redacted] has a Facebook account under the name [redacted]

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted] (S)

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 03/08/2011

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[redacted] (S)

[redacted]'s Facebook profile has privacy settings that do not allow a public viewer to see her photographs or wall. The only readily available information is her location, listed as [redacted] her place of origin, listed as [redacted] and her networks. [redacted] and

[redacted] (S)

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~~SECRET//NOFORN~~ [redacted] (S)

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 03/08/2011

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OTHER SEARCHES CONDUCTED ON [redacted] IDENTIFIERS

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(U) ~~(S//NF)~~ A search in [redacted] for [redacted]'s full name, email address, social security number, and current/previous addresses yielded negative results aside from the reporting documented above.

#### RECOMMENDATION

~~(S//FOUO)~~ It is recommended that, if deemed appropriate, [redacted] be located and interviewed in an attempt to fill the following gaps:

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 03/08/2011

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Action)

CHARLOTTE

AT CHARLOTTE, NC

~~(S//FOUO)~~ It is recommended that, if deemed appropriate, Charlotte locate and interview [redacted] regarding [redacted]

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FBI INFO.

CLASSIFIED BY: NSICG [REDACTED]

REASON: 1.4 (C)

DECLASSIFY ON: 12-31-2036

DATE: 04-04-2019

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From: [REDACTED] (FBI)  
Sent: Friday, March 04, 2011 8:33 AM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Cc: [REDACTED]  
Subject: RE: FBI POC For [REDACTED] (~~SECRET~~)

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[REDACTED] I'm very happy to help in any way I can; however, I'm simply the case agent for  
Samir Khan investigation that is run out of Charlotte. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] I have cc'ed him, as well as the SSA at FBIHQ who  
overseas FBI Charlotte's investigation of Khan, SSA [REDACTED] These two individuals are  
probably your best bet as far as initial movement forward with the FBI on your concept. They  
are in the best position to determine how the FBI can help. If there is anything I - or the  
team working with me on the Samir Khan investigation - can do to help we are more than  
willing to do so and both SSA [REDACTED] and SSA [REDACTED] know this. We have actively sought out  
USIC relationships in an effort to address, jointly, the threat Khan poses to the US/west, so  
believe me when I say we would love to help.

Very Respectfully,

SA [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Thursday, March 03, 2011 5:47 PM  
To: [REDACTED] (CE) (FBI)  
Cc: [REDACTED] 902d MI Gp  
Subject: FW: FBI POC For [REDACTED] (~~SECRET~~)

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b6 PER FBI

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b6 PER ARMY

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Classification: ~~SECRET~~  
Caveats: ~~NOFORN~~

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Thanks,

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Fort George G. Meade, MD 20755-5975

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SIPR:  
JWICS:  
NIPR:

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] CW4 902d MI Gp  
Sent: Thursday, February 24, 2011 9:52 AM  
To: [redacted] Mr 902d MI Gp  
Subject: RE: FBI POC For [redacted] (~~SECRET~~)

b6 PER ARMY  
b7C

Classification: ~~SECRET~~  
Caveats: NONE

b7E PER FBI

[redacted]  
He's at the JTTF Charlotte, NC

b6 PER ARMY  
b7C

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] Mr 902d MI Gp  
Sent: Thursday, February 24, 2011 9:05 AM  
To: [redacted] CW4 902d MI Gp  
Subject: RE: FBI POC For [redacted] (~~SECRET~~)

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b7C

Classification: ~~SECRET~~  
Caveats: NONE

b7E PER FBI

Thanks [redacted] Is SA [redacted] at WFO?

b6 PER FBI  
b7C

Thanks,

[redacted]  
b6 PER ARMY  
b7C

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted] CW4 902d MI Gp  
Sent: Wednesday, February 23, 2011 11:34 AM  
To: [redacted] Mr 902d MI Gp

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Subject: FBI POC For [REDACTED] (~~SECRET~~)

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Classification: ~~SECRET~~

Caveats: NONE

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(CE) (FBI)

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22 USCS § 2708

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TITLE 22. FOREIGN RELATIONS AND INTERCOURSE  
CHAPTER 38. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

§ 2708. Department of State rewards program

(a) Establishment.

(1) In general. There is established a program for the payment of rewards to carry out the purposes of this section.

(2) Purpose. The rewards program shall be designed to assist in the prevention of acts of international terrorism, international narcotics trafficking, and other related criminal acts.

(3) Implementation. The rewards program shall be administered by the Secretary of State, in consultation, as appropriate, with the Attorney General.

(b) Rewards authorized. In the sole discretion of the Secretary (except as provided in subsection (c)(2)) and in consultation, as appropriate, with the Attorney General, the Secretary may pay a reward to any individual who furnishes information leading to--

(1) the arrest or conviction in any country of any individual for the commission of an act of international terrorism against a United States person or United States property;

(2) the arrest or conviction in any country of any individual conspiring or attempting to commit an act of international terrorism against a United States person or United States property;

(3) the arrest or conviction in any country of any individual for committing, primarily outside the territorial jurisdiction of the United States, any narcotics-related offense if that offense involves or is a significant part of conduct that involves--

(A) a violation of United States narcotics laws such that the individual would be a major violator of such laws;

(B) the killing or kidnapping of--

(i) any officer, employee, or contract employee of the United States Government while such individual is engaged in official duties, or on account of that individual's official duties, in connection with the enforcement of United States narcotics laws or the implementing of United States narcotics control objectives; or

(ii) a member of the immediate family of any such individual on account of that individual's official duties, in connection with the enforcement of United States narcotics laws or the implementing of United States narcotics control objectives; or

(C) an attempt or conspiracy to commit any act described in subparagraph (A) or (B);

(4) the arrest or conviction in any country of any individual aiding or abetting in the commission of an act described in paragraph (1), (2), or (3);

(5) the prevention, frustration, or favorable resolution of an act described in paragraph (1), (2), or (3), including by dismantling an organization in whole or significant part;

(6) the identification or location of an individual who holds a key leadership position in a terrorist organization; or

(7) the disruption of financial mechanisms of a foreign terrorist organization, including the use by the organization of illicit narcotics production or international narcotics trafficking--

- (A) to finance acts of international terrorism; or
- (B) to sustain or support any terrorist organization.

(c) Coordination.

(1) Procedures. To ensure that the payment of rewards pursuant to this section does not duplicate or interfere with the payment of informants or the obtaining of evidence or information, as authorized to the Department of Justice, the offering, administration, and payment of rewards under this section, including procedures for--

(A) identifying individuals, organizations, and offenses with respect to which rewards will be offered;

(B) the publication of rewards;

(C) the offering of joint rewards with foreign governments;

(D) the receipt and analysis of data; and

(E) the payment and approval of payment,

shall be governed by procedures developed by the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Attorney General.

(2) Prior approval of Attorney General required. Before making a reward under this section in a matter over which there is Federal criminal jurisdiction, the Secretary of State shall obtain the concurrence of the Attorney General.

(d) Funding.

(1) Authorization of appropriations. Notwithstanding section 102 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1986 and 1987 (Public Law 99-93; 99 Stat. 408 [unclassified]), but subject to paragraph (2), there are authorized to be appropriated to the Department of State from time to time such amounts as may be necessary to carry out this section.

(2) Period of availability. Amounts appropriated under paragraph (1) shall remain available until expended.

(3) [Deleted]

(4) [Redesignated]

(e) Limitations and certification.

(1) Maximum amount. No reward paid under this section may exceed \$ 25,000,000, except as personally authorized by the Secretary of State if he determines that offer or payment of an award of a larger amount is necessary to combat terrorism or defend the Nation against terrorist acts. Without first making such determination, the Secretary may authorize a reward of up to twice the amount specified in this paragraph for the capture or information leading to the capture of a leader of a foreign terrorist organization. The Secretary shall authorize a reward of \$ 50,000,000 for the capture or death or information leading to the capture or death of Osama bin Laden.

(2) Approval. A reward under this section of more than \$ 100,000 may not be made without the approval of the Secretary.

(3) Certification for payment. Any reward granted under this section shall be approved

and certified for payment by the Secretary.

(4) Nondelegation of authority. The authority to approve rewards of more than \$ 100,000 set forth in paragraph (2) may not be delegated.

(5) Protection measures. If the Secretary determines that the identity of the recipient of a reward or of the members of the recipient's immediate family must be protected, the Secretary may take such measures in connection with the payment of the reward as he considers necessary to effect such protection.

(6) Forms of reward payment. The Secretary may make a reward under this section in the form of money, a nonmonetary item (including such items as automotive vehicles), or a combination thereof.

(f) Ineligibility. An officer or employee of any entity of Federal, State, or local government or of a foreign government who, while in the performance of his or her official duties, furnishes information described in subsection (b) shall not be eligible for a reward under this section.

(g) Reports.

(1) Reports on payment of rewards. Not later than 30 days after the payment of any reward under this section, the Secretary shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees with respect to such reward. The report, which may be submitted in classified form if necessary, shall specify the amount of the reward paid, to whom the reward was paid, and the acts with respect to which the reward was paid. The report shall also discuss the significance of the information for which the reward was paid in dealing with those acts.

(2) Annual reports. Not later than 60 days after the end of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees with respect to the operation of the rewards program. The report shall provide information on the total amounts expended during the fiscal year ending in that year to carry out this section, including amounts expended to publicize the availability of rewards.

(h) Publication regarding rewards offered by foreign governments. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, in the sole discretion of the Secretary, the resources of the rewards program shall be available for the publication of rewards offered by foreign governments regarding acts of international terrorism which do not involve United States persons or property or a violation of the narcotics laws of the United States.

(i) Media surveys and advertisements.

(1) Surveys conducted. For the purpose of more effectively disseminating information about the rewards program, the Secretary may use the resources of the rewards program to conduct media surveys, including analyses of media markets, means of communication, and levels of literacy, in countries determined by the Secretary to be associated with acts of international terrorism.

(2) Creation and purchase of advertisements. The Secretary may use the resources of the rewards program to create advertisements to disseminate information about the rewards program. The Secretary may base the content of such advertisements on the findings of the surveys conducted under paragraph (1). The Secretary may purchase radio

or television time, newspaper space, or make use of any other means of advertisement, as appropriate.

(j) Determinations of the Secretary. A determination made by the Secretary under this section shall be final and conclusive and shall not be subject to judicial review.

(k) Definitions. As used in this section:

(1) Act of international terrorism. The term "act of international terrorism" includes--

(A) any act substantially contributing to the acquisition of unsafeguarded special nuclear material (as defined in paragraph (8) of section 830 of the Nuclear Proliferation Prevention Act of 1994 (22 U.S.C. 3201 note)) or any nuclear explosive device (as defined in paragraph (4) of that section) by an individual, group, or non-nuclear-weapon state (as defined in paragraph (5) of that section); and

(B) any act, as determined by the Secretary, which materially supports the conduct of international terrorism, including the counterfeiting of United States currency or the illegal use of other monetary instruments by an individual, group, or country supporting international terrorism as determined for purposes of section 6(j)(1)(A) of the Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. App. 2405(j)(1)(A)).

(2) Appropriate congressional committees. The term "appropriate congressional committees" means the Committee on International Relations of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate.

(3) Member of the immediate family. The term "member of the immediate family", with respect to an individual, includes--

(A) a spouse, parent, brother, sister, or child of the individual;

(B) a person with respect to whom the individual stands in loco parentis; and

(C) any person not covered by subparagraph (A) or (B) who is living in the individual's household and is related to the individual by blood or marriage.

(4) Rewards program. The term "rewards program" means the program established in subsection (a)(1).

(5) United States narcotics laws. The term "United States narcotics laws" means the laws of the United States for the prevention and control of illicit trafficking in controlled substances (as such term is defined in section 102(6) of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802(6))).

(6) United States person. The term "United States person" means--

(A) a citizen or national of the United States; and

(B) an alien lawfully present in the United States.



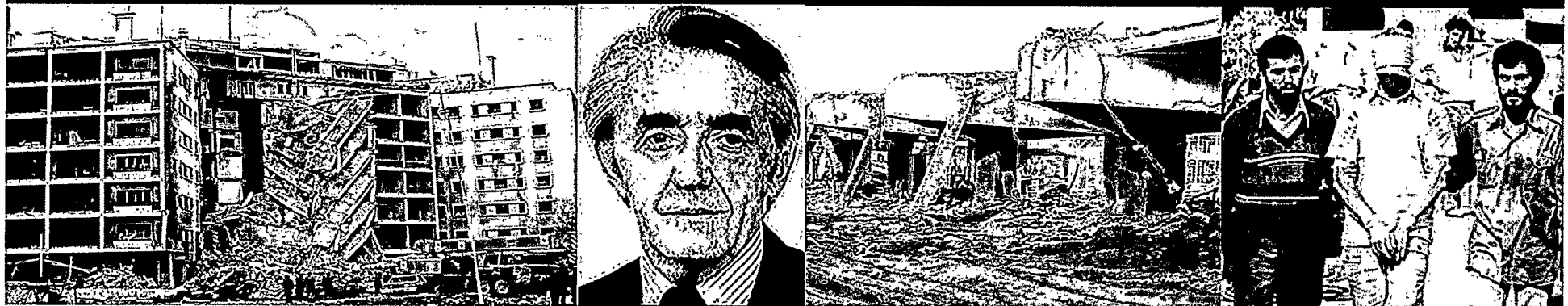
# *Rewards for Justice*

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**Bureau of Diplomatic Security**  
**U.S. Department of State**

# Rewards for Justice (RFJ)

- RFJ is a counterterrorism rewards program created by an Act of the U.S. Congress in 1984
- Legal authority: *22 USC §2708*
- Mission: To prevent terrorist acts, disrupt terrorist financing, and bring terrorists to justice in a U.S. or foreign court of law





# Total Reward Payments

Since 1984, over [REDACTED] dollars has been paid to over [REDACTED] different people.

Reward offers of up to \$25 million

Case specifics are kept  
**STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL**  
to protect sources.

Relocation with family is available if security of the source is at risk.

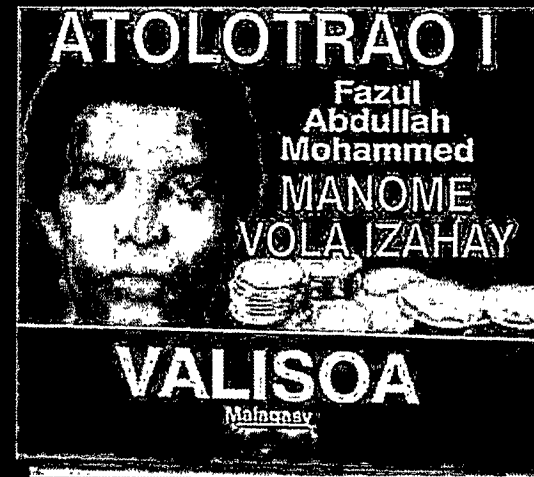
# Rewards for Information

## A reward can be paid:

- To any *individual* who provides *information* leading to the arrest or conviction of any individual conspiring, attempting, or committing an act of international terrorism against *U.S. persons or property*
- For information identifying or locating those holding *key leadership positions in a terrorist organization*
- *For disruption of financial mechanisms* of a foreign terrorist organization

# Secondary Goals of RIFJ

- Deter terrorist operations
- Decrease safe havens
- Restrict freedom of movement
- Put terrorists on the defensive



## Example: Fazul

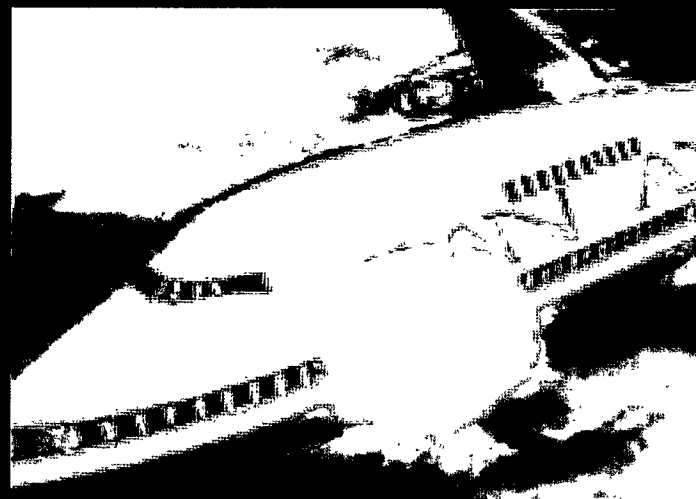
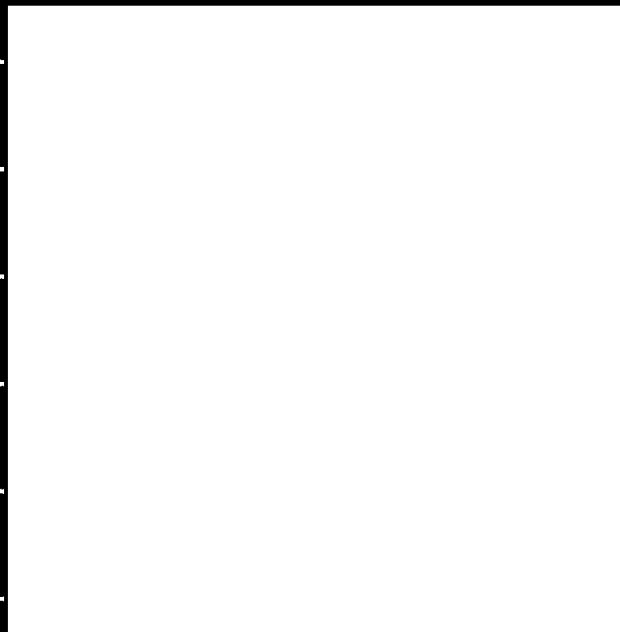
- Comoros Islands (Horn of Africa)
- Matchbooks (French, Malagasy)

# RFJ Safeguards

- The **Secretary of State** must approve all:
  - **Payments** to sources
  - **Reward offers** for individual terrorists and terrorist incidents
- The **Interagency Rewards Committee** acts as an **advisory board** and are consulted on all RFJ proposals and reward nominations
- Government officials (U.S. and foreign) are generally **ineligible** for rewards
- **U.S. persons/property** must be affected
- **Congressional notification** of RFJ payments is required

# Raising the Rewards

- 1984 —
- 1988 —
- 1998 —
- 2001 —
- 2004 —
- 2008 —



# RFJ Reward Payments

Fiscal Year	Rewards Paid
2010	
2009	
2008	
2007	
2006	
2005	
2004	
2003	

# Success Stories – Global Results

## Ramzi Yousef

- 1993 World Trade Center
- Captured in Pakistan on February 7, 1995



## Uday and Qusay Hussein

- Campaign initiated on July 3, 2003
- Tip provided on July 21, 2003
- Fastest result in RFJ history – 18 days
- A reward of \$30 million was paid for the information that led to their location



# The Philippines

- Since 2002 – five public reward ceremonies
- Public reward ceremonies generate publicity, support, and confidence in the program
- June 2007 - [REDACTED] paid to multiple sources for the location of two Abu Sayyaf leaders (Khadaffy Janjalani and Abu Solaiman)





# Reward Process

1. **Information** must lead to a **positive result**
2. **Federal government entity** submits a **nomination** to RFJ based on established criteria
3. **Interagency Rewards Committee** discusses and makes **recommendations** to the Secretary
4. **Secretary of State approves**, and if necessary, consults with the Attorney General
5. **Reward is paid to source** once he/she is relocated, if necessary
6. **Congress is notified**

# Advertising

**RECHERCHÉ**



**RÉCOMPENSE  
JUSQU'À  
\$5 MILLIONS  
DE DOLLARS  
AMÉRICAINS**

**Fazul Abdullah Mohammed  
POUR MEURTRE**

Pour sa participation dans les attentats à la bombe perpétrés contre  
les Ambassades des États-Unis à Nairobi (Kenya) et à Salaman (1998)  
220 personnes furent tuées et 5 000 blessées.



Le gouvernement des États-Unis d'Amérique offre une récompense pour toutes informations qui conduisent à l'arrestation ou à l'identification d'un individu impliqué dans les attentats à la bombe perpétrés contre les Ambassades des États-Unis à Nairobi (Kenya) et à Salaman (1998). La récompense peut atteindre jusqu'à 5 millions de dollars. Les personnes qui fournissent des renseignements et celles de leurs familles. Toutes informations fournies seront traitées avec le strict secret et la confidentialité.

Ceux qui souhaitent des informations peuvent contacter

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ایک اعلیٰ مقصد۔ انہی میں کی رقم سے کہیں زیادہ اہم  
دن کی کوئی ذریعہ۔ اس بات پر یقین رکھیں۔ نیچے مردوں اور عورتوں اور بچوں  
کو اپنا تعلق کرنے کی اجازت ملے گی۔  
یہ کھانے اور پینے والے آپ کے ملک سمیت کی کی ملک میں پہنچے ہوئے ہیں۔  
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ای میل: RFJ@state.gov یا خبر دیوبہ سائٹ ویب: www.rewardsforjustice.net


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خبر دہانہ انعام کی رقم دی جائے گی۔  
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قدیم معلومات سب سے زیادہ کی جائے گی۔

# www.RewardsForJustice.net

- Available in 28 languages
- Anonymous tip form –  
Submit A Tip
- Used as the basis for NCTC's Counterterrorism Calendar



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**NEW REWARD OFFERS**



**Up to \$25 Million Reward**  
**Usama bin Ladin**

Usama bin Ladin is wanted in connection with the September 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon and for the August 7, 1998 bombings of the United States Embassies in Dar es Sala..  
*(more)*



View the complete list of reward offers of up to **\$25 Million** [here](#).

# Tips and Investigations

**Note: RFJ does not conduct investigations**

**Tips submitted by:**

- **E-mail**
- **Letters**
- **Phone Calls**
- **Direct Contact with Law Enforcement Officers**

**From the U.S. or overseas**



**Investigated by:**

- **DOD**
- **FBI/Police**
- **RSO**
- **Local Authorities**



# Contacting Rewards for Justice

**Email: RFJ@state.gov**

**Phone: 1-800-US-REWARDS**

**Web: [www.rewardsforjustice.net](http://www.rewardsforjustice.net)**



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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN**

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**ADMINISTRATIVE ~~(S//NF)~~**

[NOTE THAT THIS EXECUTIVE SUMMARY DISCUSSES ONLY THE INVESTIGATION OF SAMIR KHAN. FOR BACKGROUND/BIOGRAPHY INFORMATION PLEASE SEE THE DOCUMENT, "SAMIR KHAN BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION," LOCATED ON THE [redacted]

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(U) The [redacted] discovered an online blog maintained by Khan, which identified his interest in the Tanzeem-e-Islami-affiliated, US-based organization, Islamic Organization of North America (IONA), and in jihad. It was discovered that Khan stated that his view of jihad and IONA's view of jihad differ in that IONA does not publicly support the physical fighting aspect of jihad.

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(U) An earlier version of Khan's online blog was ranked among the top one percent of one hundred million Internet web sites in the world. His most recent online blog contained postings that support violent jihad to include links to hundreds of videos that graphically depict the killing of US soldiers in Iraq, suicide attacks on coalition facilities, and speeches by [redacted] and UBL. On his online blog, Khan has stated his desire to bring about the Islamic Caliphate and that he feels the west is a hypocrisy.

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(S) (S) From early 2007 until late 2009, investigation of Khan revealed that this self-proclaimed Salafi-Jihadi became increasingly religious and radical over time. Major discoveries of the investigation include [redacted] (S)

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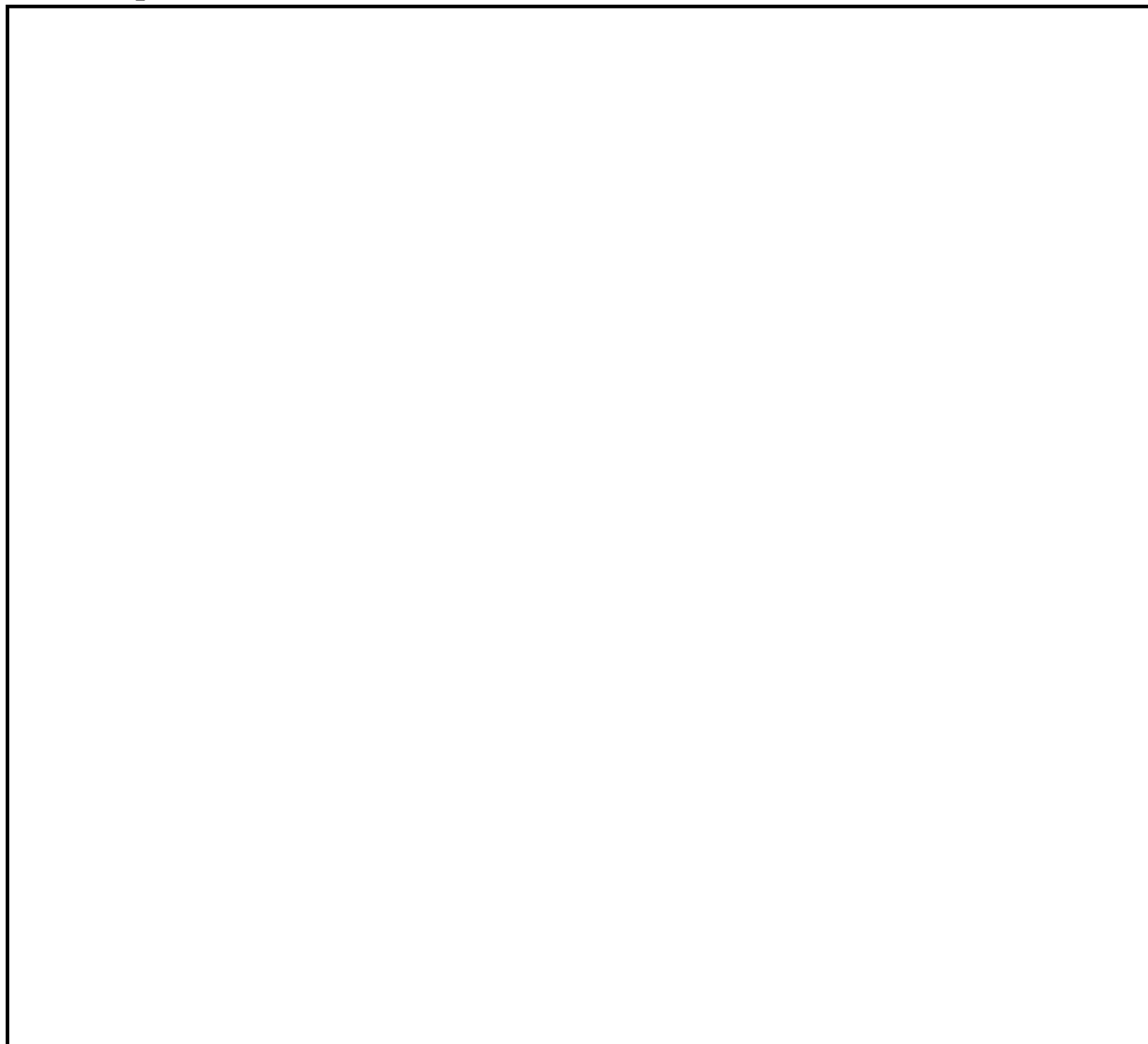
[redacted] Khan became a radicalizing influence on others, possibly motivating/recruiting them for jihad; individuals close to Khan expressed concern that Khan may become a martyr, and he himself indicated an interest in becoming a martyr; Khan created the first US-based, English language, pro-jihad magazine, known as "Jihad Recollections," which published four issues online and received significant international attention; and in October 2009, Khan traveled to Yemen, apparently to make hijra.



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(U) (S) It is noted that in early January 2010 Khan was placed on the [redacted] in January 2011 Khan was placed on [redacted] in April 2011 an [redacted] was issued for Khan, and in May 2011 Khan was added to the FBI's Seeking More Information - War On Terrorism List (SMIL), although Khan's SMIL inclusion was not made public.



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(U) It is noted that, as of July 2010, Khan was officially represented by a defense attorney.

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Main Subject  
Name -

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First: Samir  
Middle: Zafar

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Race: W  
Sex: M  
Date of Birth: 12/25/1985  
Date of Death: 09/30/2011  
POB: Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

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Languages: English, Arabic, Urdu (speak) [Immigration records from 1992 indicate Khan speaks Urdu and reads Arabic. Khan traveled to Yemen in 10/2009 to study Arabic.]  
Ht: 5'7" (per North Carolina DL), 5'6" (per medical exam dtd 3/2009)  
Wt: 178 lbs (per medical exam dtd 3/2009)  
Eyes: Brown (wears eyeglasses)  
Hair: Brown

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SAMIR KHAN BIO DATA

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ARN: A040061311  
SSAN: 091-80-3487  
Passport: US, 301708539, expires 5/28/2012  
DI: 25188737 (North Carolina), expired 12/25/2010

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Citizenship: Subject is a USPER (automatically with naturalization of mother on 03/18/1999). Prior to naturalization, he was considered Pakistani.

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Current Address -

Country: Yemen

[Note: Khan moved to Hadramout sometime in 11/2009 or 12/2009, current location in Yemen is unknown]

Past Address -

City: Sana'a

Country: Yemen

[Note: Khan lived here from 10/23/2009 until 11/2009 or 12/2009.]

Past Address -

House #: 11231

Street Name: Tradition View

Street Suffix: Dr.

City: Charlotte

State: NC

Postal Code: 28269

Country: USA

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Past Address -

House #: 1916

Street Name: Plymouth

Street Suffix: Dr.

City: Westbury

State: NY

Postal Code: 11590

Country: USA

Current Phone #: (C - US [redacted] [note: as of June 2010, now being used by [redacted] (C - Yemen) 967714433612

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Past Phone #:

(H) [redacted] (home phone or [redacted] Dr. - see EC dtd 11/4/2008)

(H) [redacted] - subscriber)

(C) 704/533-0354 (inactive)

(H) 516/334-1813

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Miscellaneous -  
Religion:

Islam/Sunni (self-proclaimed Salafi-Jihadi). In 1999 Khan attended a mosque in Queens, NY, that was also attended by ~~ALM followers~~. After 9/11/2001 Khan was influenced by their extreme views [redacted] (S)

[redacted] According to NY Times article, @ age 15 in August 2001, Khan attended one week long IONA summer camp that captivated him. Khan separated from IONA in summer 2006 because the organization would not support violent jihad w/o endorsement of a Muslim nation's leader, with which Khan disagrees. Subject attended Masjid Al Mustafa, Islamic Society of Greater Charlotte (ISGC), 7025 East The Plaza, Charlotte, NC (Plaza Mosque) as well as ICC. In April 2009, became a member of Dawa Committee for ISGC. In August 2009, became disenchanted with ISGC due to Imam. In October 2009 made hijra to Sana'a, Yemen. In November/December 2009, left Sana'a for Hadramout region of Yemen to study Arabic, Fiqu, and Shariah.

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Al-Iman University (?), (as per

**Certifications:** A+ (Information Technology) [2/12/2009]

## Cats

Taught English (at Yemen University in Sana'a, Yemen, 10/2009 – 11/2009)  
Customer Service Representative for NCO Financial Systems, Inc. (call center for Apple iPhones/Macintosh computers) (4/2009 – 10/2009 [took leave of absence to travel to Yemen, then was terminated via mail])  
Unemployed (7/2008 – 4/2009)  
Call Center Associate, Convergys, Charlotte, NC (6/2008 – 7/2008)  
Front Desk Agent, Super 8 Motel, 4930 Sunset Rd., Charlotte, NC (7/2007–12/2007)  
Spherion Atlantic (3/2006)  
Sales (cellphones), One-Stop Cellular (4/2006 – 10/2006)  
Sales (knives), Vector Marketing, Charlotte, NC (11/2004 – 2/2005)  
Home Tutor (taught science to youth), Charlotte, NC (1/2004 – 4/2006)  
Sales (clothing/shoes), Tantrum, Charlotte, NC (8/2004)  
Sales (footwear), Finish Line, Charlotte, NC (7/2004 – 8/2004)  
Sales (food), Halal International, Charlotte, NC (5/2004 – 7/2004)

Sunday School teacher (10/2004 – unknown)  
Model United Nations (9/2005 – 1/2006)  
Red Cross (9/2002 – 6/2003)

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Bank: First Charter (as per application to IIUI summer 2007 and Ebay records)  
Fifth Third (as per 10/9/2008 cellphone tech cut)  
[First Charter is now Fifth Third]

- Checking Acct: 125558866
- Visa 4661 2930 0777 1085 (debit, as per Fifth Third)
- Visa Debit 4661 2930 0498 6272
- Visa Debit 4661 2930 1775 1713

US Bank (from Ebay records)

- Checking Acct: [redacted] (used by Khan, owned by [redacted])

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Vehicles:

Lt Beige/tan Toyota Corolla (2007) [redacted]  
Blue Hyundai Sonata (2011) [redacted]  
Silver/gray Hyundai Sonata (2011) [redacted]  
Silver Toyota Corolla (2004), 4dr., [redacted] she is in CA)  
Silver Honda Civic (2004), XRR 1582 (Khan drove)  
Silver Hyundai Tucson [redacted]  
Silver Nissan Quest Minivan [redacted]  
Green Chevy Malibu (2003) [redacted]

Frequented:

Plaza Mosque, 7025 The Plaza Rd, Charlotte, NC  
Halal Grill and Sweets 3117-A N. Sharon Amity Road

Travel:

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2004 - Saudi Arabia [redacted] (for Umra, returned 8/22/2004)  
2009 - Yemen (for hijra, to teach, and to study 10/2009)

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 11/21/2011

**To:**

From

Contact: SA

Approved By:

Drafted By:

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**Title:** (U) INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION MANAGEMENT

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 11/08/2011

To: [redacted]

Counterterrorism

Attn: Legat

Attn: Legat

Attn: [redacted]

SSA [redacted]

IA [redacted]

Attn: [redacted]

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Attn: SA [redacted]

Attn: [redacted]

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From: Counterterrorism [redacted]

Contact: IA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

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Title: (S) [redacted]

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SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - GLOBAL EXTREMIST INSPIRED

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(S) To: [redacted] From: Counterterrorism  
Re: (U) [redacted] 11/08/2011

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Re: (X) [redacted] 11/08/2011

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(S) To: [redacted] From: Counterterrorism  
Re: (X) [redacted] 11/08/2011

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 11/10/2011

To: Charlotte

Attn: Squad

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From:

Contact: EE

Approved By:

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Drafted By:

Case ID #:

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Title: ~~(S//NF)~~ SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - GLOBAL EXTREMIST INSPIRED

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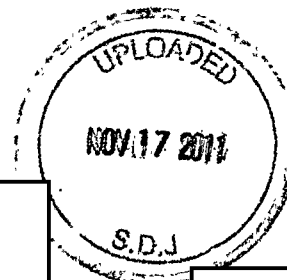
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To: Charlotte From: [REDACTED]  
Re: [REDACTED] 11/10/2011

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(U//~~FOUO~~) [REDACTED] is complete on [REDACTED]. All currently available in-house tools were run, and no known anomalies were found. Without further knowledge of the environment and software/programs used to produce [REDACTED] the results remain inconclusive for [REDACTED]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) [REDACTED] is closing out this request. Any questions on this matter may be directed to EE [REDACTED]

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To: Charlotte From: [REDACTED]  
Re: [REDACTED] 11/10/2011

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LEAD(s) :

Set Lead 1: (Info)

CHARLOTTE

AT CHARLOTTE, NC

For information only. Read and clear.

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From: [redacted]  
Sent: Monday, December 05, 2011 10:05 AM  
To: [redacted]  
Cc: [redacted]

Subject: [redacted] (S)

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[redacted] (S)

Thanks for coordinating and best of luck-

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From: [redacted]  
Sent: Friday, December 02, 2011 3:56 PM  
To: [redacted]  
Cc: [redacted]  
Subject: [redacted] (S)

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[redacted] FYI, I'm still going through these but will get back to you as soon as possible.

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From: [redacted]  
Sent: Thursday, December 01, 2011 4:24 PM  
To: [redacted]  
Subject: [redacted] (S)

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That is a good question but the answer is no. You should not be facing an [redacted]

[redacted] (S)

Thank you

[redacted]

From: [redacted]  
Sent: Thursday, December 01, 2011 3:59 PM  
To: [redacted]  
Subject: [redacted] (S)

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Thank [redacted] I will review and get back to you shortly.

Can I assume you will need to get [redacted] for these? That will entail [redacted] etc., right?

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From: [redacted]  
Sent: Thursday, December 01, 2011 3:05 PM  
To: [redacted]  
Subject: [redacted] (S)

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You're not bugging me at all, you are helping.

[redacted] (S)

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To: [Redacted]  
Subject: [Redacted] (S)

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Sent: Tuesday, November 22, 2011 12:47 PM

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Subject: [Redacted] (S)

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 11/19/2011

To: Charlotte

Attn:

From:

Contact: IOA

Approved By:

(U) Drafted By:

(U) Case ID #: (S)

Title: (S) SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - GLOBAL EXTREMIST INSPIRED

Synopsis: (S)

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(U) To: Charlotte From: [REDACTED]  
Re: (S) [REDACTED], 11/19/2011

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Accomplishment Information:

Number: 1

Type [REDACTED]  
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Claimed By: [REDACTED]

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SSN: [REDACTED]  
Name: [REDACTED]  
Squad: [REDACTED]

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(U) To: Charlotte From: [REDACTED]  
Re: ~~(S)~~ [REDACTED], 11/19/2011

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LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Info)

CHARLOTTE

AT CHARLOTTE, NC

(U) Read and clear.

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From:  
Sent:  
To:

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Friday, November 18, 2011 12:32 PM

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Subject:

RE: Community Interviews

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Folks,  
Please note the following:

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- One more interview team edit, below #12
- Prior to conducting your interviews, [redacted] and

- When you are ready to create a [redacted] related to your interview results, utilize this link:

[redacted] and click on the [redacted] text in blue  
towards the top of the page

Thanks,

SSA [redacted]  
Charlotte Division [redacted]

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From: [redacted]  
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2011 8:24 AM  
To: [redacted]

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Subject: RE: Community Interviews

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SSA [REDACTED]  
Charlotte Division [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2011 2:00 PM  
To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]  
Subject: Community Interviews

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Folks,  
On 12/7 (time TBD) we will be conducting community interviews with the following in mind:

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In advance of the interviews, we will have a squad meeting on 12/6 at 11 am in the SAC's Conference Room.

Thanks in advance,

[Redacted]

SSA [Redacted]

Charlotte Division [Redacted]

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RE: Community Interviews

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Charlotte Division [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2011 2:00 PM

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Subject: Community Interviews

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Folks,  
On 12/7 (time TBD) we will be conducting community interviews with the following in mind:

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In advance of the interviews, we will have a squad meeting on 12/6 at 11 am in the SAC's Conference Room.

Thanks in advance,

[Redacted]

SSA [Redacted]

Charlotte Division [Redacted]

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Tuesday, November 15, 2011 2:00 PM

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Folks,

On 12/7 (time TBD) we will be conducting community interviews with the following in mind:

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In advance of the interviews, we will have a squad meeting on 12/6 at 11 am in the SAC's Conference Room.

Thanks in advance,

SS [redacted]

Charlotte Division [redacted]

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[REDACTED] (CE) (FBI)

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From:  
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[REDACTED]  
Tuesday, November 15, 2011 12:25 PM

Subject:  
Attachments:

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community interview stuff

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[REDACTED] - here is what I told you I would send:

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[redacted] (CE) (FBI)

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From: [redacted]  
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2011 4:05 PM  
To: [redacted]  
Subject: RE: Community Interviews re SK

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After this email, I won't bother you anymore about this matter, but I think these interviews may not be as fruitful if we wait too much longer.

I entered the [redacted], as previously mentioned (see attached below), however, I know [redacted] and [redacted] are swamped with other tasks (SAC briefings, Intel Note writing, etc.), so I don't think we should wait for this tasking to be fully completed - as it is written - prior to starting the interviews.

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From: [redacted]  
Sent: Wednesday, October 26, 2011 10:49 AM  
To: [redacted]  
Subject: RE: Community Interviews re SK

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Thanks for sending this.

I'm reconsidering what I sent you earlier about priorities of Khan-related work yet to be done

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, October 26, 2011 9:15 AM

**Subject:** Community Interviews re SK

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Folks,

As discussed yesterday during the squad meeting, below is a list of individual in the community which are under consideration for an interview

Please advise if you have any objections or additions to the list:

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Thanks,

SSA [redacted]

Charlotte Division [redacted]

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 25, 2011 3:14 PM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Subject: RE: proposal?

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Sounds good.

SSA [REDACTED]  
Charlotte Division [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 25, 2011 3:13 PM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Subject: RE: proposal?

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 18, 2011 1:28 PM  
[REDACTED]

Subject: proposal?

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[redacted] (CE) (FBI)

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Sent:  
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[redacted]  
Wednesday, October 26, 2011 9:15 AM

Subject:

Community Interviews re SK

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Folks,

As discussed yesterday during the squad meeting, below is a list of individual in the community which are under consideration for an interview [redacted]

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Please advise if you have any objections or additions to the list:

Thanks,

SSA [redacted]  
Charlotte Division [redacted]

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Subject: RE: proposal?

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After we receive info from [redacted] we can discuss the timeline/priority of this project.

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I'll do that.

How do you want to proceed afterwards; i.e. timeline on doing this, etc.?

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To: [redacted]

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Thanks.

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Charlotte Division [redacted]

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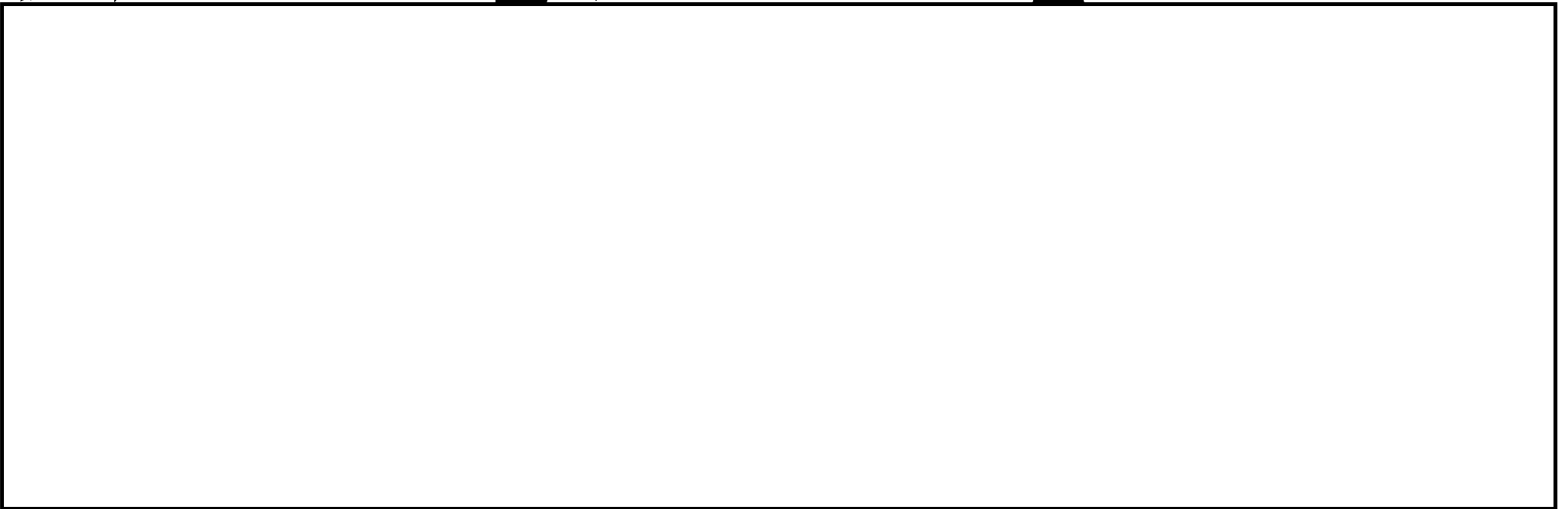
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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 10/13/2011

To: Charlotte

Attn: SA [REDACTED]

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From: Charlotte  
[REDACTED]

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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Title: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED] (S)

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Synopsis: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED] (S)

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Reference: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED]

Details: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED] (S)

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(U) To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: ~~(S//NF)~~ [redacted] 10/13/2011

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(U) To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
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LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Action)

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AT CHARLOTTE [REDACTED]

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Date of transcription 12/12/2011

On 12/7/2011, at 7:30 AM, TFO [redacted] and SA [redacted] attempted to interview [redacted] at his residence located at [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that he needed take [redacted] to a doctor's appointment in [redacted] NC at 8:30 AM. [redacted] asked to call and arrange a later meeting once the doctor's visit was done. TFO [redacted] provided [redacted] a card and told him to call him on his cell phone. [redacted] agreed and said that was "no problem."

Later on 12/7/2011 at approximately 2:30 PM, TFO [redacted] received a phone call from a subject who identified himself as [redacted] and that he was an attorney representing [redacted] called from [redacted] stated that in addition to [redacted], he represented [redacted] stated that any communication with [redacted] needed to go through his office. [redacted] was confident that [redacted] did not have any information for the FBI.

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Investigation on 12/7/2011 at Charlotte

File [redacted] Date dictated 12/12/2011  
by TFO [redacted]  
SA [redacted]

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Precedence: ROUTINE

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(U) ~~(S)~~ KHAN, SAMIR, ZAFAR  
(U) ~~(S)~~ CT - SUNNI EXTREMISM - MIDDLE EAST  
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Re: (X) [redacted] 12/14/2011

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Previous Title: (X) [redacted]

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Synopsis: (X) [redacted]

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~~(S)~~ Administrative: [redacted]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Enclosures: 1) Email from Sergeant [redacted]

Details: (U) On 12/06/2011, at approximately 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time, SA [redacted] and SA [redacted]

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[redacted] interviewed [redacted] DOB: [redacted] at her residence

located at [redacted] Avenue, Apartment [redacted] [redacted] Also present during this interview was [redacted] After being advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the purpose of the interview [redacted] voluntarily provided the following information:

(U) [redacted] moved to [redacted] approximately three and a half years ago as a result of getting married to her husband [redacted] Together, [redacted] and her husband have a [redacted] named [redacted] is [redacted] who works [redacted]

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(S) To: Counterterrorism From: [redacted]  
Re: (U) [redacted] 12/14/2011

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[redacted] a few minutes from their residence. [redacted] has an email account of [redacted] [Writer's Note: When the aforementioned email address was queried in [redacted] [redacted]

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(U) [redacted] confirmed that her current email account is [redacted] but that she also has email account [redacted] which she had previously created to access the emails contained on her cellular telephone. [redacted] also confirmed that she possess cellular telephone number [redacted] and that her husband has cellular telephone number [redacted] [redacted] admitted that she is not on Facebook, but does have a personalized YouTube account under the username of [redacted] [redacted] explained that she had to utilize the [redacted] strictly due to the availability of this username on YouTube. Further, when confronted, [redacted] also identified that the email account of [redacted] belonged to her as well. Specifically, [redacted] stated that she had created [redacted] several years ago when she was in college, but no longer uses this account. [Writer's Note: When email address [redacted] was queried in [redacted] [redacted] The aforementioned cellular telephone numbers had been previously searched [redacted]

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(U) When questioned about her knowledge of ANWAR ALAWLAKI and SAMIR KHAN, [redacted] stated that she is familiar with ALAWLAKI due to his lectures being publicized on the Internet, but wasn't sure about the name KHAN. [redacted] was unaware that KHAN had also been killed with ALAWLAKI earlier this year. When confronted with information inferring that the email account [redacted] was associated with KHAN, [redacted] initially claimed she had no idea how this could have occurred.

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(U) [redacted] explained that she did have a friend named [redacted] whom she knew from Chicago that [redacted] SAMIR KHAN several years prior. To the best of [redacted] knowledge [redacted] KHAN and after graduating from college moved to Florida and is now married [redacted] was unable to exactly identify how KHAN and [redacted] knew one another, but suspected that they had [redacted] because KHAN was from another state.

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(S) To: Counterterrorism From: [REDACTED]  
Re: (X) [REDACTED] 12/14/2011

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(U) [REDACTED] did remember being questioned by the FBI earlier this year about [REDACTED]. Further, [REDACTED] explained that she originally met [REDACTED] while attending the [REDACTED] most likely through a student association, but wasn't exactly sure. The last time [REDACTED] had contact with [REDACTED] was one to two years ago when [REDACTED] called to wish [REDACTED] well after the birth of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] provided [REDACTED] cellular telephone number as [REDACTED] and mentioned that [REDACTED] family resides in Chicago and that she has [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was unable to provide any additional contact information for [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] clarified that although she attended the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] she actually received a bachelors degree in [REDACTED].

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(U) [REDACTED] disclosed that before getting married, and while residing in Chicago, she had a phase in her life where she was actively seeking more information on Islam to include the concept of jihad. As a result, [REDACTED] frequently read Internet blogs about these topics and would contribute comments. [REDACTED] was unable to identify the exact Internet sites or forums that she visited, and attributed her actions to being more out of curiosity and research. During this period, [REDACTED] learned about the different meanings of the word "jihad" and researched how Muslims should cope with living in the West. As a result, [REDACTED] admitted watching and listening to several of ALAWALKI's sermons and lectures to include, but not limited to the "Lives of the Prophet" and the "Hereafter." [REDACTED] stated that ALAWALKI was a good speaker and very popular amongst of younger Muslims, but that she did not agree with everything he spoke about. [REDACTED] was unable to elaborate on exactly what she disagreed with when referencing ALAWALKI's messages. [REDACTED] denied ever having met with or having direct contact with KHAN, but did believe it was possible that she could have visited one of his blogs when she was actively exploring Islam and jihad. [REDACTED] considers this a closed chapter in her life, one which her husband is unaware of.

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(U) During the interview, the writer asked [REDACTED] for consent to search the two laptops at [REDACTED] residence that [REDACTED] identified as being jointly owned her and her husband. [REDACTED] refused and cited that there were private photos contained on the laptops in which she was un-covered. [REDACTED] confirmed that the term

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uncovered was in reference to her not wearing the traditional female Muslim head scarf or hijab.

(U) [redacted] is unaware of anyone in her community or on-line that subscribes to or influences others to accept the ideology of violent jihad. Further, [redacted] denied having any weapons at her residence and stated that her husband had no military training.

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(U) [redacted] stated that her and her husband normally travel back to Chicago at least one time per year to visit with family and to celebrate Eid.

(U) At the end of the interview the writer provided [redacted] with his business card and contact information. [redacted] then stated that she would be willing to be re-contacted if necessary or if the interviewing agents had additional questions.

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Re: (S) [REDACTED] 12/14/2011

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Accomplishment Information:

Number: 1

Type: INTERVIEW OF SUBJECT (CONTACT & ESPIONAGE)

ITU: INDIVIDUAL/NON-INFORMANT

Claimed By:

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Name:

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LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Action)

COUNTERTERRORISM

AT [REDACTED]

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(U) [REDACTED]: To notify of the title change for the captioned investigative matter, and to request coordination for [REDACTED] traces as required, based on information in the Details section above.

Set Lead 2: (Action)

COUNTERTERRORISM

AT [REDACTED]

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(U) [REDACTED], which is being submitted via the [REDACTED] database, to add the subject of this case to the [REDACTED] and appropriate supported systems.

Set Lead 3: (Info)

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(U) Read and clear.

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From: [redacted]  
Sent: Wednesday, December 07, 2011 9:18 AM  
To: [redacted]  
Subject: [redacted]

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Greetings. Both subjects names were negative in [redacted] Please give me a call if you need further assistance.  
Thanks.

[redacted]

Sergeant [redacted]

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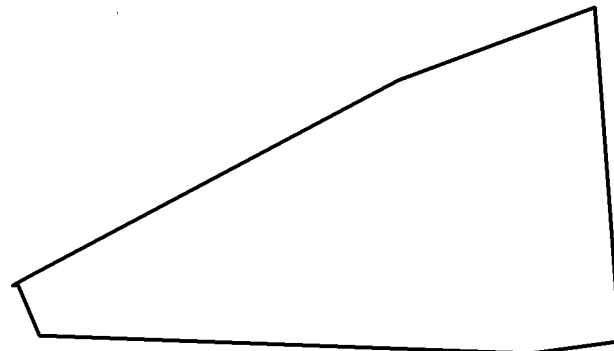
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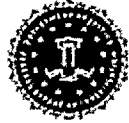


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Telephone: [REDACTED] Squad/Unit/Legat/etc.: [REDACTED]  
Case/File #: [REDACTED] Case Title: Samir Khan

Language From: Arabic Into: English  
Dialect? possibly Yemeni

### ☒ TRANSLATION

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If you would do a 1025, we can get it done. We may have to send it to [redacted] but we can get it done!

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Subject: [redacted] (S)

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Is it possible that I could get the attached PDF translated? I know [redacted] is in Israel for the next few weeks, but is there someone else who can do it?  
Do I need to do a FD-1025 for this?  
Thank you!

SA [redacted]  
FBI Charlotte [redacted]  
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Best,

SA [redacted]  
FBI Charlotte [redacted]  
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Special Agent (SA) [redacted] conducted the following investigative activity on 12/13/2011:

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At approximately 12:05 PM, SA [redacted] left a message for [redacted] at telephone number [redacted]. SA [redacted] explained that he was conducting a community outreach effort on the part of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and that he was contacting [redacted] due to his status as an elder within the Muslim community.

At approximately 2:30 PM, SA [redacted] received a voice-mail from [redacted] an attorney with the United Firm of Carolina Law. [redacted] advised that he represented [redacted] as well as the other board members of the Islamic Society of Greater Charlotte. [redacted] stated that he had already spoken with the board members and they had nothing helpful to offer to the FBI. [redacted] stated that he would need to be involved in any further contact with [redacted].

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[REDACTED] The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] on 12/07/11:

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The known residence of [REDACTED] Drive, Harrisburg, NC 28075 was visited. Upon ringing the doorbell, a female, later identified as [REDACTED] wife, [REDACTED] approached the door, however, she refused to open it, even after SA [REDACTED] identified himself.

SA [REDACTED] called [REDACTED] known telephone number, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] advised that he was out of town, that he planned to be back in town tomorrow and that he would probably be available to speak with the FBI, at that time. [REDACTED] explained that he was unable to schedule an interview time, since he was also planning to attend a funeral tomorrow. [REDACTED] agreed to have SA [REDACTED] call him the next day, at about 10:00 A.M.

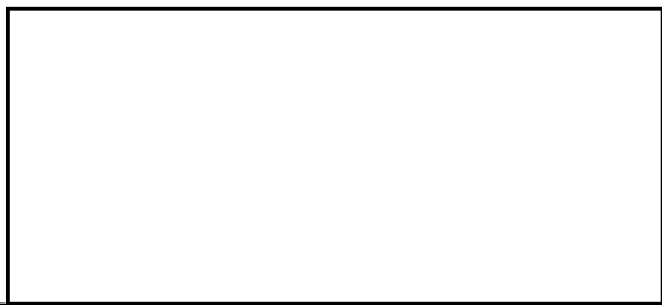
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Simultaneous with the above telephone call, [REDACTED] son, identified as [REDACTED] opened the door and advised SA [REDACTED] that his mother was scared to open the door and that she woke him up. SA [REDACTED] advised of the reason for the visit to which [REDACTED] asked if we (SA's) would be visiting other members of the Muslim community. SA [REDACTED] advised that other Agents were currently visiting other members of the Muslim community as part of a community outreach initiative in relation to what had occurred with the Khan family. Upon mentioning the Khan family, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] is a good person. [REDACTED] returned to the doorway and advised that she would talk with us when her husband had returned.

[REDACTED] The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED] on 12/08/11:

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At approximately 10:10 A.M., SA [REDACTED] telephoned [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] advised that he was currently attending a funeral and that he would have his attorney, [REDACTED] contact SA [REDACTED] regarding this matter.



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[redacted] A telephonic message was received from Attorney [redacted]  
[redacted], advising that he represented [redacted] and that any further  
attempts to contact [redacted] should be made through him. [redacted]  
also advised, in part, that [redacted] did not possess any information  
that is, or might be, helpful to the FBI. No return call was  
made to [redacted]

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[REDACTED] home address [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was interviewed on his front porch on the morning of 12/07/2011. After being advised as to the identities of the interviewing Agent and Intelligence Analyst (IA), as well as the nature of the interview, [REDACTED] provided the following information:

[REDACTED] answered the front door of the residence to the interviewing Agent/IA. The Agent/IA immediately identified themselves and stated they were looking to speak with [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] asked the Agent/IA if they came all of the way from Charlotte, NC to speak with her, and the Agent/IA stated that they had. [REDACTED] appeared surprised by this. The Agent/IA stated that the FBI has previously spoken with [REDACTED] both telephonically in the beginning of 2011 and in person in mid-2010. [REDACTED] appeared to be unaware of this fact, but did not provide details as to the location of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] he only stated that she was not at their current location.

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After the Agent/IA described that they wanted to speak with [REDACTED] about recent happenings/on goings, [REDACTED] immediately noted that the Agent/IA probably wanted to discuss things like SAMIR KHAN and the drone attack that killed KHAN. [REDACTED] described KHAN's death as a situation where the US Government killed a US citizen without due process and without trial. [REDACTED] appeared upset about this fact. [REDACTED] eluded that the US government claims that KHAN was "supposedly" in the wrong place in the wrong time" but [REDACTED] made it clear that he did not necessarily agree that it was a coincidence. [REDACTED] felt that KHAN should not have been killed without prosecution and trial just because ANWAR AULAQI had a capture or kill order by the US Government.

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[REDACTED] went on to describe that the publically published items of [REDACTED] were nothing that was illegal. When asked by the Agent/IA if [REDACTED] had all of the information and all non-public intelligence to make a determination if ANWAR AULAQI was someone who appropriately had capture or kill order, [REDACTED] agreed that he might not have all information. [REDACTED] stated that he had not seen anything that proved KHAN

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[REDACTED] and AULAQI were terrorists. [REDACTED] also stated that he had not read any of KHAN's articles in "Inspire."

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[REDACTED] denied having ever seen or read "Inspire" magazine. [REDACTED] stated that he tried to look it up on the internet before, but he did not want to do much more internet searching because he did not want the US government to track him as someone who was a terrorist. [REDACTED] described concern that if he searches or uses the internet to read things that are related to terrorists then the US government would track [REDACTED] internet activity and think he was a terrorist. The Agent/IA explained to [REDACTED] that this is not the case and anyone is free to do online research related to these topics, including searching for "Inspire" magazine. The Agent/IA further explained that in various public trainings provided by the FBI, the FBI recommends that the audiences go and search "Inspire" to read it. [REDACTED] responded with comment stating that those people were probably white men, so the FBI would not look at them.

[REDACTED] was presented with a copy of "Inspire" Fall 2011 Edition. The Agent/IA explained the symbol in the top right corner of the magazine indicated that the source of "Inspire" was Al-Qa'ida's media group. [REDACTED] was previously unaware that of the meaning of this symbol. [REDACTED] provided skepticism for believing and trusting that this was truly the source of the publication. When the Agent/IA explained that some articles contained in the magazine (both this version and other versions) were written and produced by KHAN, [REDACTED] was again skeptical that the source was truly KHAN. [REDACTED] questioned the Agent/IA, asking if it was true that either 1) someone could possibly cut and past writings of KHAN and include them in the magazine without his permission, 2) change some of KHAN's words with his articles without his permission, or 3) articles could be included in the publication with KHAN's name as the author, but KHAN never authored the articles or provided authority for the use of his name.

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[REDACTED] stated he has an online blog, and that anyone could copy poems from his blog, with his name, and paste them into a publication without his permission.

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[REDACTED] stated that writing opinion articles in magazines or publications is not illegal or bad, but went on to say that if articles were about killing or hurting people, that would be terrorism and described it as bad and wrong. [REDACTED] made



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a statement regarding AULAQI and AULAQI's stance on killing civilians, but did not provide any further clarification.

[REDACTED] expressed great interest in possible employment opportunities with the FBI. He then stated that the FBI would not hire him because of who he was and his background, indicating that because he was middle-eastern, the FBI would not employ him. The Agent/IA explained to [REDACTED] that this is not the case, and that the FBI employs many people of many different backgrounds. The Agent/IA further described the FBI to be an organization that seeks out individuals of different cultural and language backgrounds, as those individuals are a great asset to the FBI. [REDACTED] stated that he was a medical doctor and wanted to know what he could do in the FBI and what positions would be applicable to him and his training. [REDACTED] was very interested in learning about the Special Agent, Intelligence Analyst, and Profiler positions.

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Throughout the interview [REDACTED] constantly described conspiracy theories regarding the topics detailed above: 1) That the FBI looks at people who do online googling of terrorist related topics, 2) That nothing he has seen regarding AULAQI and KHAN proves that they were terrorists, and 3) That he does not know how the KHAN articles came to be in "Inspire" and in fact does not know if the publication really comes from Al-Qa'ida media. [REDACTED] also alluded during the interview that this FBI community outreach interview, intended for [REDACTED] has other motives that the [REDACTED] was not privy to and that the Agent/IA were not telling him. [REDACTED] was surprised that the FBI would be reaching out in the Muslim community and talking to people in an outreach style format, and this surprised theme was constant throughout the interview.

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[REDACTED] then clearly stated that he does not believe in conspiracy theories.

[REDACTED] described many types of people that should be locked up who have behavioral disorders, including rapists. He described his belief that child predators should not be released from prison and that when released, they just repeat their prior behavior. He questioned why they are allowed to return to society.

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[REDACTED] was provided with the Agent's business card, and was asked to let his sister, [REDACTED] know that the Agent/IA came by. Several times throughout the interview, the

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Agent/IA also let [REDACTED] know that the he could contact the Agent at any time if anything ever came up that "made the hair on the back of his neck stand up" or seemed suspicious.

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On 12/07/2011, [redacted]  
born [redacted] Social Security Account Number [redacted]  
[redacted] residing at [redacted] Charlotte, NC [redacted]  
[redacted] cellular telephone number [redacted] office telephone number [redacted]  
[redacted] email addresses [redacted] was  
interviewed at his place of employment, [redacted]

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[redacted] This interview began at approximately 1530 HRS and terminated at approximately 1730 HRS. After being advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and the nature of the interview, [redacted] provided the following information:

[redacted] greeted the interviewing Agents in the first floor lobby of the [redacted] building and stated that he had been informed by his secretary that two men in suits had been looking for him. [redacted] stated that he assumed from his secretary's description that the individuals represented some form of law enforcement. [redacted] indicated that he would be happy to speak to the interviewing Agents following his prayers and invited the interviewing Agents to follow him up the stairs to a 5th floor conference room where the Agents could wait while he was praying. While walking up the stairs, [redacted] stated that he is currently the [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that he has been employed at [redacted] for the past [redacted]

After waiting approximately 20 minutes in a 5th Floor conference room, [redacted] secretary notified the interviewing Agents that [redacted] was available and led the Agents to his office. Upon entering his office, the interviewing Agents informed [redacted] that the visit was prompted by recent events, particularly the death of former Charlotte resident SAMIR KHAN (KHAN). The interviewing Agents informed [redacted] that he was one of many members of the Charlotte Muslim community who were being contacted this same day for this same reason. The interviewing Agents further informed [redacted] that the reason he was being contacted was that he had agreed in the past to be interviewed by the local newspaper regarding his Muslim faith and that the interviewing Agents hoped this fact indicated a willingness on [redacted] part to continue to speak about or on [redacted]

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\_\_\_\_\_ behalf of his community. The interviewing Agents also informed \_\_\_\_\_ that they were interested to learn if \_\_\_\_\_ and KHAN had crossed paths in light of a recent Charlotte Observer article mentioning that KHAN had once attended \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ stated that he was not allowed legally to speak about KHAN's attendance or activities at \_\_\_\_\_. Both interviewing Agents agreed that \_\_\_\_\_ was correct and clarified that they were not seeking official school records or information but instead were interested in any personal interactions or relationships which might have developed out of a relationship formed between the two at \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ reported that he did in fact know KHAN and that the two had philosophical differences which led to multiple discussions/debates. The topic of these debates, according to \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ describe KHAN's demeanor resulting from these disagreements, \_\_\_\_\_ stated that he and KHAN did not agree to disagree, but rather each would argue that his interpretation was correct whenever the subject arose.

\_\_\_\_\_ reported that he was aware of the contents of KHAN's blog but acknowledged having read only one article. \_\_\_\_\_ stated, nevertheless, that he knew that KHAN's blog was full of material highlighting death and destruction. \_\_\_\_\_ stated that he viewed KHAN as a "nut" and had told him that to his face. \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ stated that when counseling young men who want to kill Americans like KHAN, his advice has always been to use their talents to make the world a better place. \_\_\_\_\_ stated that he has advised such men to become doctors and travel to African countries like Sudan to help women who have been raped and people who have been oppressed by brutal regimes. \_\_\_\_\_ stated that he received this same advice from his \_\_\_\_\_ and is advice that he will give to his children. Along these same lines, \_\_\_\_\_ stated that he has long

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considered, and still does at times, traveling to Afghanistan to assist in clearing land mines which are still killing indiscriminately to this very day. [REDACTED] denied having any military training which would enable him to perform such a task.

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[REDACTED] stated that individuals like KHAN and those that he had counseled are an outgrowth of the numerous atrocities committed against Muslims worldwide by the foreign policy of the United States and its allies. [REDACTED] stated that he has been outspoken in his belief that civil liberties in the United States are being rapidly eroded by the war on terror and legislation like the Patriot Act. On top of this, according to [REDACTED] the United States is routinely killing innocent Muslims overseas through drone attacks. [REDACTED] repeatedly voiced his preference that the United States use highly trained "SWAT Teams" when trying to capture or kill terrorists and wondered why such a tactic had not been used to capture KHAN.

[REDACTED] stated that none of the individuals whom he had counseled were threats to commit a terrorist act. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] remarked that he did not currently know many Muslim students at [REDACTED] because [REDACTED] no longer had a Muslim Student Association (MSA).

[REDACTED] claimed to be surprised that the FBI had not spoken to him earlier as a result of his views and his service as a [REDACTED] did state, however, that he fully expected that his home was "bugged" and his electronic communications monitored. [REDACTED] in fact, stated that the thought had occurred to him that the interviewing Agents could be there to arrest him. [REDACTED] however, could provide no rational explanation for why he had this thought. [REDACTED] continued by stating that the Muslim community does not trust the FBI and cited examples, like the Ft. Dix arrestees, in which innocent Muslims had been entrapped by the FBI. When the interviewing Agents pointed out to [REDACTED] that he had no personal first-hand knowledge of the Ft. Dix arrestees or the investigation, [REDACTED] was able to acknowledge that there could be facts outside his knowledge which might contradict his entrapment theory.

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[REDACTED] continued his theme of mistrust between Muslims and the government by telling the Agents that he had

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personal knowledge of immigrant Muslims whose words had been twisted or misunderstood by government agents. These misunderstandings, according to [REDACTED] later served as the basis of some form of legal action against the Muslim. [REDACTED] also made reference to a Muslim friend who had been forced from his car by a police officer and subjected to a search of his vehicle and unfair treatment for no reason other than the friend being Muslim.

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[REDACTED] also informed the interviewing Agents that he knew that his interview was being recorded. After trying to convince [REDACTED] that he was not being recorded, the interviewing Agents asked [REDACTED] if he was recording them. [REDACTED] answered in the affirmative without hesitation. When asked later about his recording, [REDACTED] offered to make a copy available to the interviewing Agents if they supplied him with a Compact Disk. [REDACTED] stated that he was not sure the recording was actually working.

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[REDACTED] remarked that he had thought about not returning to his office in order to avoid the Agents. [REDACTED] also stated that had he been contacted at this home by the interviewing Agents, he likely would not have invited them in. [REDACTED] stated that it was his understanding that once inside his home, the laws of the United States would allow the Agents to search his home whether he consented to the search or not. [REDACTED] stated that views such as these are common in the Muslim community. The interviewing Agents explained to [REDACTED] that although he was highly educated he was clearly wrong on many fronts. The Agents suggested to [REDACTED] that he conduct research before blindly accepting a rumor he hears and before spreading the same rumor. [REDACTED] acknowledged that misunderstandings such as this serve only to increase the distrust between the Muslim community and law enforcement.

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[REDACTED] denied seeing a groundswell of anti-American sentiment in the Muslim community following KHAN's death. [REDACTED] did report that following KHAN's death, he noticed that a large number of local Muslims had changed their Facebook profile pictures to a picture of KHAN. [REDACTED] stated that he did not view this as evidence of an ideological alignment between the local Muslims and KHAN but rather a form of tribute or show of respect for a former member of the community who had died. [REDACTED] explained that when someone dies, human nature leads the decedent's survivors to remember personal interactions with the decedent such

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as the last interaction. [REDACTED] viewed the Facebook uploads as an outgrowth of this process rather than a sign that the local Muslims supported or shared KHAN's world view.

[REDACTED] stated that a large portion of the local Muslim community is relieved that the KHAN chapter has been closed. [REDACTED] indicated that to these Muslims, KHAN was an embarrassment or unwelcome distraction and got what he deserved. Another segment of the local Muslim community, on the other hand, was upset by the killing. [REDACTED] would not agree that this segment necessarily agreed with KHAN's world view, but stated instead that these individuals might have been upset with the means of the death or viewed KHAN as worthy of some respect. [REDACTED] opined that to this segment, while KHAN might have been wrong, KHAN was deserving of respect because he held firm to his convictions. Further, [REDACTED] stated on several occasions that KHAN was good at this trade and, like Adolph Hitler, was effective albeit misdirected.

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[REDACTED] stated that KHAN's world view was not too surprising given the influence of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] described [REDACTED] as dedicated to doing his part to [REDACTED] - a feat [REDACTED] compared to herding cats. When asked if he was stating that [REDACTED] shared KHAN's world view, [REDACTED] did not provide an answer. Instead, [REDACTED] cited [REDACTED] Mosque for young Muslim females. According to [REDACTED] opposition arose from the fact that he could not find textual support for such an event in the Koran.

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[REDACTED] did express concern about KHAN's [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] denied having any first-hand knowledge regarding the reaction of KHAN [REDACTED] to his death, but did state on multiple occasions that "If you kill a man [REDACTED], you have problems." When asked about any personal interactions with KHAN [REDACTED], [REDACTED] stated that he [REDACTED] UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHARLOTTE (UNCC) during which KHAN [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] stated that in some respects he was not surprised that KHAN had been killed in Yemen. [REDACTED] compared the predictability of this outcome to a fat person who continues to eat poorly and dies of a heart attack.

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[REDACTED] opined that the threat of a terrorist attack is a fiction created for political gain. [REDACTED] stated that if Muslims wanted to kill Americans it would have happened by now. [REDACTED] dismissed the example of [REDACTED] as an anomaly committed by a disturbed man. Similarly, [REDACTED] dismissed as absurd the thought of a Muslim trying to kill people by driving a truck through a crowd. [REDACTED] argued that many Muslims are highly educated and would be capable of much more if so inclined. [REDACTED] asked rhetorically why a Muslim doctor would work to save his patient's life when the patient was a non-Muslim. [REDACTED] also stated that if KHAN was committed to killing Americans he could have done so while living in the United States.

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[REDACTED] then argued that the deaths of Americans at the hands of the terrorists is insignificant when compared to the numbers of Americans killed by childhood obesity, failure to use seatbelts or natural disasters. [REDACTED] stated that all deaths are equal and therefore it made no sense to focus so many resources against terrorism when the actual threat of death from a terrorist incident was so small. [REDACTED] called the argument that the next terrorist act could kill one of his loved ones "specious" and stated that he had lost family members and was somewhat immune to the pain caused by death. [REDACTED] also stated that he and his family were not more important than anyone else or the greater population.

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[REDACTED] denied having read "Inspire" magazine. [REDACTED] also denied being aware of any impact it had within the local Muslim community. [REDACTED] stated that he has no idea who would fill the void left by KHAN and ANWAR AULAQI.

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[REDACTED] stated that the local Muslim community is highly disorganized, poor and in its fledgling stages. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] denied being the target of retaliation following KHAN's death and claimed to be aware of no discrimination faced by Muslims in response to KHAN's actions or death.

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[REDACTED] stated that all of the above were just his impressions of KHAN and the Muslim community's reaction to KHAN's death. [REDACTED] claimed that while he was a member of this community, he was really still somewhat of an outsider due to his inability to speak Urdu, Farsi or Arabic. [REDACTED] stated that he was known in the Muslim community as [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

When asked about possible suggestions to bridge the gap between the Muslim community and the FBI, [REDACTED] stated that he had no great ideas. [REDACTED] stated that perhaps the FBI should consider holding a "Meet the FBI" or "Ask the FBI" event during which members of the Muslim community, particularly young Muslim males, would be offered pizza and invited to speak their mind. [REDACTED] understood that the FBI would likely not be able to answer many of the community's questions at such an event. [REDACTED] thought, nevertheless, that if the FBI tried to make itself more approachable the effort might pay dividends in the future.

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Near the end of the interview, [REDACTED] offered to make some discreet inquiries in the Muslim community about the topic of today's interview to determine if his assessment of the situation was accurate. [REDACTED] stated that he would be willing to meet with the Agents in the future to continue this dialogue and provided each Agent with his business card. [REDACTED] again noted that he was aware of no emerging terrorists or terror threats and that he sleeps well at night.

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On 12/7/2011 TFO [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] met [REDACTED] at Java Jacobs in the 8600 block of University City Blvd.

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The writer was aware that recently [REDACTED] reported to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department (CMPD) that the Islamic Community Center (ICC) located at 1700 Progress Road was recently broken into and some items were damaged. [REDACTED] is listed as the suspect in the break in.

[REDACTED] is employed as [REDACTED] and also works as [REDACTED] ICC. Additionally [REDACTED] CMPD officers who assist in directing traffic at the ICC on Friday prayer days and other days when large crowds are expected at the mosque.

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[REDACTED] stated that since the death of SAMIR KHAN, there have been no hate crimes against the ICC. [REDACTED] remembered who KHAN was, but at the time of his death, did not remember him. Someone showed him a photo of KHAN and that was how he later remembered who KHAN was.

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[REDACTED] said that after KHAN's the ICC received a number of phone calls on their answering machine that supported KHAN and some calls that did not support KHAN. [REDACTED] did not provide a number of total calls, but said they were evenly split. Additionally the ICC received a letter of support from a Mosque in South Africa. [REDACTED] could not provide a name or address of the Mosque in South Africa.

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[REDACTED] discussed the recent break-in. [REDACTED] reported to CMPD that someone broke into the ICC and damaged a TV and caused other damage. After reviewing the videotape of the break in, [REDACTED] felt that it was possibly [REDACTED] based on the way the suspect walked. The suspect was wearing a hoodie with the hood over his head and gloves on his hands. [REDACTED] is the brother of [REDACTED] showed the video to [REDACTED] and he said that it was [REDACTED] knew [REDACTED] to have a drug problem and had broken into places before. [REDACTED] brought an arrest photo of [REDACTED] to show.

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[REDACTED] stated that the father of both [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] World Trade Center bombing in 1993.

[REDACTED] was asked if he or other members of the community would contact the police about suspicious people. [REDACTED] said that he would call the police and he said that he had in the past called about people that he did not trust. He said that he called the FBI in the past about a [REDACTED] [REDACTED] followed up and was told that the guy was being watched. [REDACTED] could not recall what that person's name was, nor could he recall who at the FBI that he spoke to. He thought for a minute and thought it could be an agent named [REDACTED] (Writers note: SA [REDACTED]).

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[REDACTED] discussed in general detail about some of the issues with the ICC. They have a frequent visitors and he sees many Muslims pass through. Some visitors will come and think that they can stay in the Mosque all day and later sleep over night. Others will come and request money. [REDACTED] spoke of a recent incident where an African American convert came to the Mosque and was seen taking photos with his camera phone of the women at prayer. He is generally suspicious of the African American converts and says that they cause the ICC the most problems.

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[REDACTED] said that there are thousands that worship at the Mosque. [REDACTED] currently attends High School at the Charlotte Islamic Society (4301 Shamrock Drive in Charlotte). According to [REDACTED] there are 200 high school students there this year, up from 140 in 2010.

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[REDACTED] was shown a photo of [REDACTED] (NY Subject). [REDACTED] was told [REDACTED] was in Charlotte in 2005. [REDACTED] did not recognize [REDACTED] and explained that there were many people that have visited the mosque.

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[REDACTED] was shown the poster of the unknown subject seen doing suspicious things around a Charlotte area Light-rail platform. [REDACTED] stated that the photo resembled [REDACTED] [REDACTED] that works at the Halal International Market on Sharon Amity Road in Charlotte, NC. [REDACTED] did not know his name.

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Folks,

Much like the email you provided me on 10/19; please provide me with a listing of pending projects (identified as either "critical" or "non-critical") and an estimated time of completion for each.

Thanks!

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[REDACTED] white male, born on [REDACTED],  
business telephone number [REDACTED] was interviewed on the  
porch of his residence, [REDACTED]

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The interview began at 9:05 am and concluded at 9:12 am. After  
being advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and the  
nature of the interview, [REDACTED] provided the following information:

[REDACTED] who was advised that he is not in any trouble or  
under investigation, stated that he was not interested in talking.  
[REDACTED] stated that he did not know anything about SAMIR KHAN being in  
Yemen. When it was clarified that the Federal Bureau of  
Investigation (FBI) is interested in [REDACTED] knowledge of KHAN while  
KHAN was living in Charlotte, [REDACTED] stated he did not know anything  
about KHAN. When interviewers clarified that FBI information  
indicates [REDACTED] in the Charlotte Muslim community, and  
that FBI information indicates [REDACTED] and KHAN along with KHAN's  
[REDACTED] simply  
defined that Dawa is "outreach" and mentioned that outreach is just  
dialogue with other religious organizations.

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Interviewers stated that media reports indicated that the  
local Muslim community leadership attempted an intervention of  
KHAN. [REDACTED] stated that he did not know anything about KHAN and  
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When asked if he could identify pictures not associated  
with KHAN, [REDACTED] refused to look at any photographs and referred  
interviewers to [REDACTED] When asked if he would meet with  
interviewers in the presence of [REDACTED] replied in the  
negative.

When asked if he was amenable to future contact, [REDACTED]  
replied in the negative. [REDACTED] stated that if he has to speak to  
the FBI, he wants a lawyer present, but [REDACTED] stated that he does  
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Writer provided [REDACTED] with writer's name and telephone  
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SA [REDACTED]

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Prior to departing, interviewers ensured [REDACTED] knew that he could call the FBI if KHAN's actions and death have caused he or the local Muslim community to feel discriminated against. [REDACTED] stated he has not felt any discrimination and would call if it did occur.

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[REDACTED] was asked if he would also call if he became aware of any individual who posed a threat of terrorism. [REDACTED] replied that he would call if he became aware of such an individual.

Interviewers departed after shaking [REDACTED] hand.

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[redacted] white male, born [redacted] on [redacted] cellular telephone number [redacted] was interviewed at Starbucks coffee shop, located at 8951-A, South Tryon Street, Charlotte, NC. The interview began at approximately 6:20 pm and concluded at approximately 7:05 pm. Also present during much of the interview was [redacted]. After being advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and the nature of the interview, [redacted] provided the following information:

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[redacted] attempts at intervention directed at SAMIR KHAN while KHAN lived in Charlotte. These intervention attempts were approved by, and coordinated with, KHAN [redacted]. [redacted] opposed KHAN's views, along with five or six other respected community leaders who were older than KHAN. [redacted] did not realize that KHAN held such views until the NEW YORK TIMES published an article about KHAN. The interventions attempts, which did not work, were meant to influence KHAN to discontinue publishing material that said it is acceptable to kill innocent people. [redacted] stated that such a view is not an Islamic view. During the intervention attempts, KHAN was quiet, respectful, and listened. [redacted] encouraged KHAN to listen. During the intervention attempts, KHAN attempted to provide his opinion only once or twice.

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[redacted] never thought KHAN would be physically violent; the interventions were to prevent KHAN from possibly motivating someone else to kill innocent people.

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When asked what KHAN thought of him [redacted] stated that he does not think KHAN talked negatively about him behind his back.

In addition to the intervention attempts, the local Muslim community stopped allowing KHAN to speak in public after his pro-jihadi views were made public.

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[REDACTED] said he fully expected the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to ask him about KHAN after learning about the interventions. Interviewers asked [REDACTED] how the FBI was supposed to know about these interventions. [REDACTED] replied that after the interventions, NPR did a media report on KHAN and [REDACTED] was interviewed for the report. During the interview, [REDACTED] mentioned that these interventions took place. When asked if he thought this NPR report aired before or after KHAN departed for Yemen, [REDACTED] stated he thought the report was aired before KHAN departed. Also, [REDACTED] recalled sitting in a community outreach meeting with the FBI, while KHAN was still in Charlotte, and mentioning KHAN's name. [REDACTED] recalled that an FBI executive manager got a strange look on his face when he heard KHAN's name mentioned.

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[REDACTED] thought that if the government would have briefed KHAN on the topic of Yemen prior to KHAN's departure, this may have prevented KHAN from leaving. The fact that KHAN left the country without any trouble, as KHAN documents in a magazine article in "Inspire" magazine, was discussed. [REDACTED] thought that an FBI interview at the airport, prior to KHAN's departure, may have been appropriate. [REDACTED] then said that he does not support "pulling Muslims out" at the airport just because they are Muslims.

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When discussing how to learn from this and prevent a future "KHAN" from getting involved in terrorism, [REDACTED] thought there was a role for the FBI in future such failed interventions. It was discussed that after a failed intervention, maybe the FBI can be notified and an interview could be conducted of the individual in question.

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When asked if KHAN's death could possibly be a trigger for someone in Charlotte to commit an act of terror, [REDACTED] replied that KHAN's death only triggered legal discussions within the Muslim community and no one is taking up KHAN's cause or is becoming radical because KHAN was killed.

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Concerning KHAN's death, [REDACTED] feels that KHAN was assassinated. [REDACTED] was advised that the media has reported that the US government had a capture/kill order on ANWAR AULAQI and that KHAN was simply with AULAQI when AULAQI was killed. [REDACTED] was told that it appears KHAN was in the wrong place at the wrong time. [REDACTED] replied that the US government knew KHAN was with AULAQI.

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[REDACTED] feels that the US government should have captured AULAQI and not assassinated him.

Concerning the local Muslim community's reaction to KHAN's death, there has been no public outrage nor has the community expressed happiness that KHAN is dead. The local Muslim community is united in their opinion that the US government's method of killing KHAN via a drone attack is unacceptable. [REDACTED] believes that had KHAN been arrested and convicted, according to due process and with evidence presented, the community would have accepted KHAN spending time in jail. Overall, KHAN's death is not something that the local Muslim community is talking about or dealing with every day.

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When asked if the local Muslim community was experiencing discrimination, i.e. vandalism, etc., due to KHAN's actions and death, [REDACTED] replied in the negative. [REDACTED] claimed the only discrimination that he is aware of is that [REDACTED] contract with his employer was not renewed and it was because of KHAN's death.

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Concerning the family, [REDACTED] believes he is the one who first notified [REDACTED] of KHAN's death. [REDACTED] has a contact in the national media who was the first of numerous calls [REDACTED] took on September 30, 2011. This national media contact told [REDACTED] of reports that KHAN was killed and [REDACTED] then contacted [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] is very concerned about [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] This is one reason why [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] - so [REDACTED] KHAN [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] knew KHAN was in a dangerous place but they were surprised by his death. KHAN "did not call home every week." [REDACTED] was advised that the FBI did speak to [REDACTED] in the past about KHAN being in Yemen and [REDACTED] acknowledged knowing this.

Concerning KHAN [REDACTED] does not think [REDACTED] is concerned about him [REDACTED] footsteps. [REDACTED] does not think KHAN [REDACTED] KHAN.

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[REDACTED] on a regular basis.

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When asked if he had any other concerns regarding suspicious individuals in the local Muslim community who may be radical, [redacted] stated that he does not have concerns. [redacted] believes KHAN was an exception.

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[redacted] believes "Inspire" magazine had minimal impact in the local Muslim community. People did not wait for the next issue to be published.

Concerning who may fill AULAQI's and KHAN's role overseas, [redacted] believes it would have to be an English speaker or speakers, but he did not know who.

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When advised that the FBI had been informed that KHAN was placed on a Dawa committee, and then asked how this was possible since KHAN espoused such a pro-jihad worldview, [redacted] replied that this must have been at the Plaza mosque because KHAN was not on the ICC's Dawa committee. [redacted] stated that he thinks if KHAN was on the Plaza mosque Dawa committee, it must have occurred when KHAN first moved to town, before his worldview was made public.

[redacted] stated that if there is ever anyone in the community who is another "KHAN," [redacted] will pick up the phone and call the FBI - he will not wait for the FBI to come to him. [redacted] was advised he can call FBI executive management, the community outreach coordinator, or the interviewing agents.

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Prior to departing, [redacted] was asked what could be done to bridge the gap, and remove the distrust, between the local Muslim community and the FBI. [redacted] stated that if the FBI called individuals prior to showing up at their doorstep, this would help.

[redacted] was provided with writer's name and telephone number and was amenable to future meetings.

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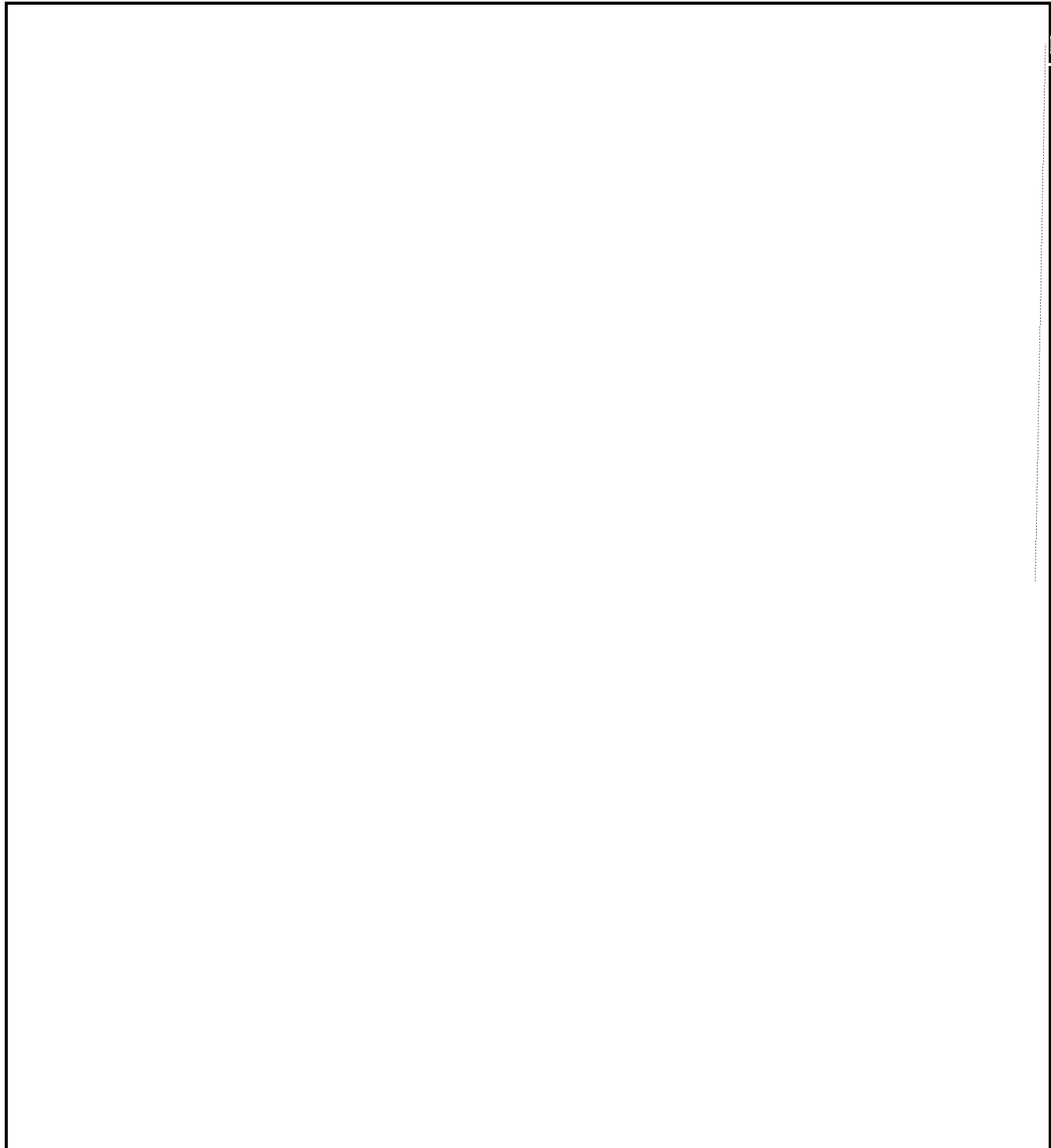
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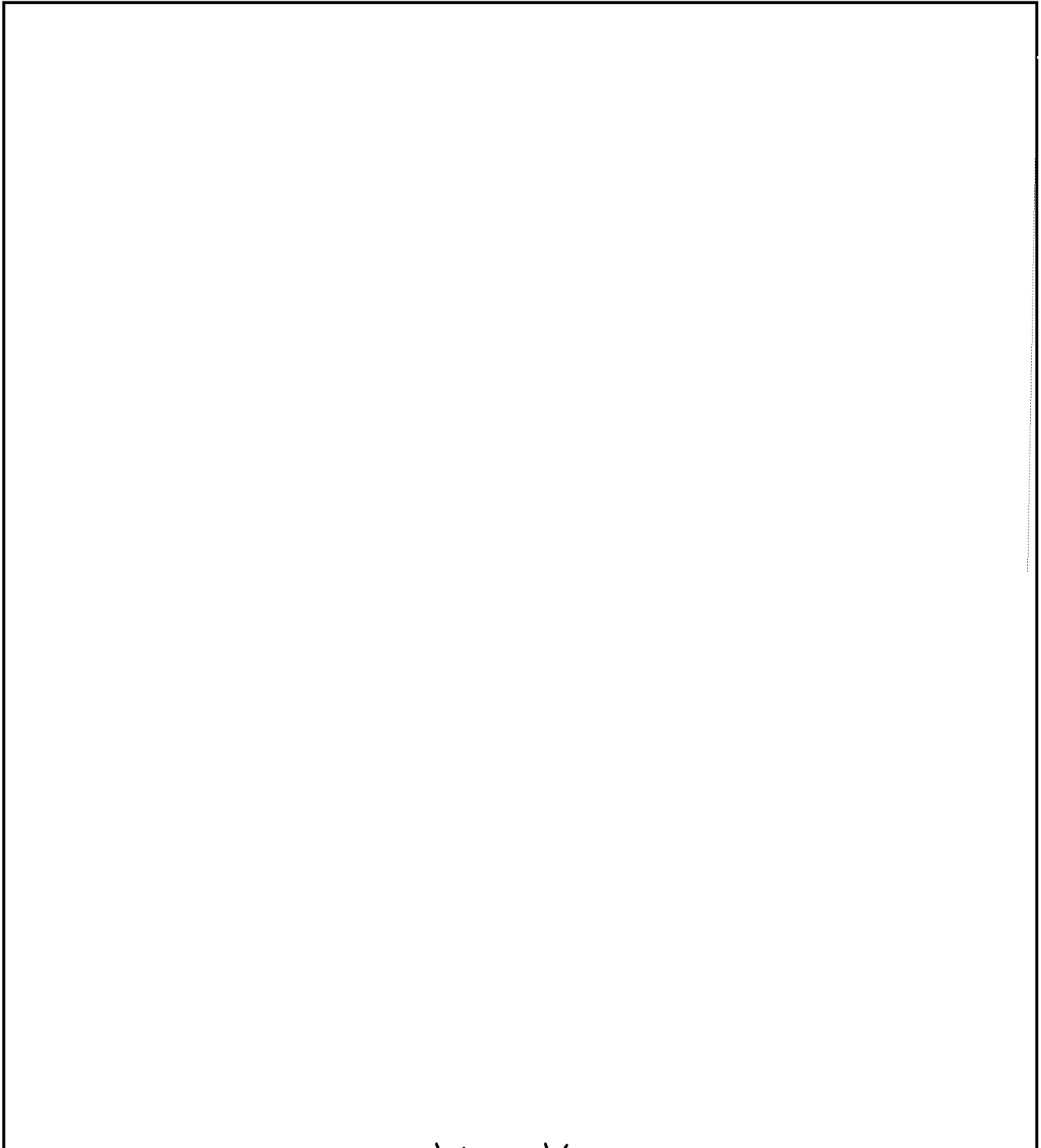
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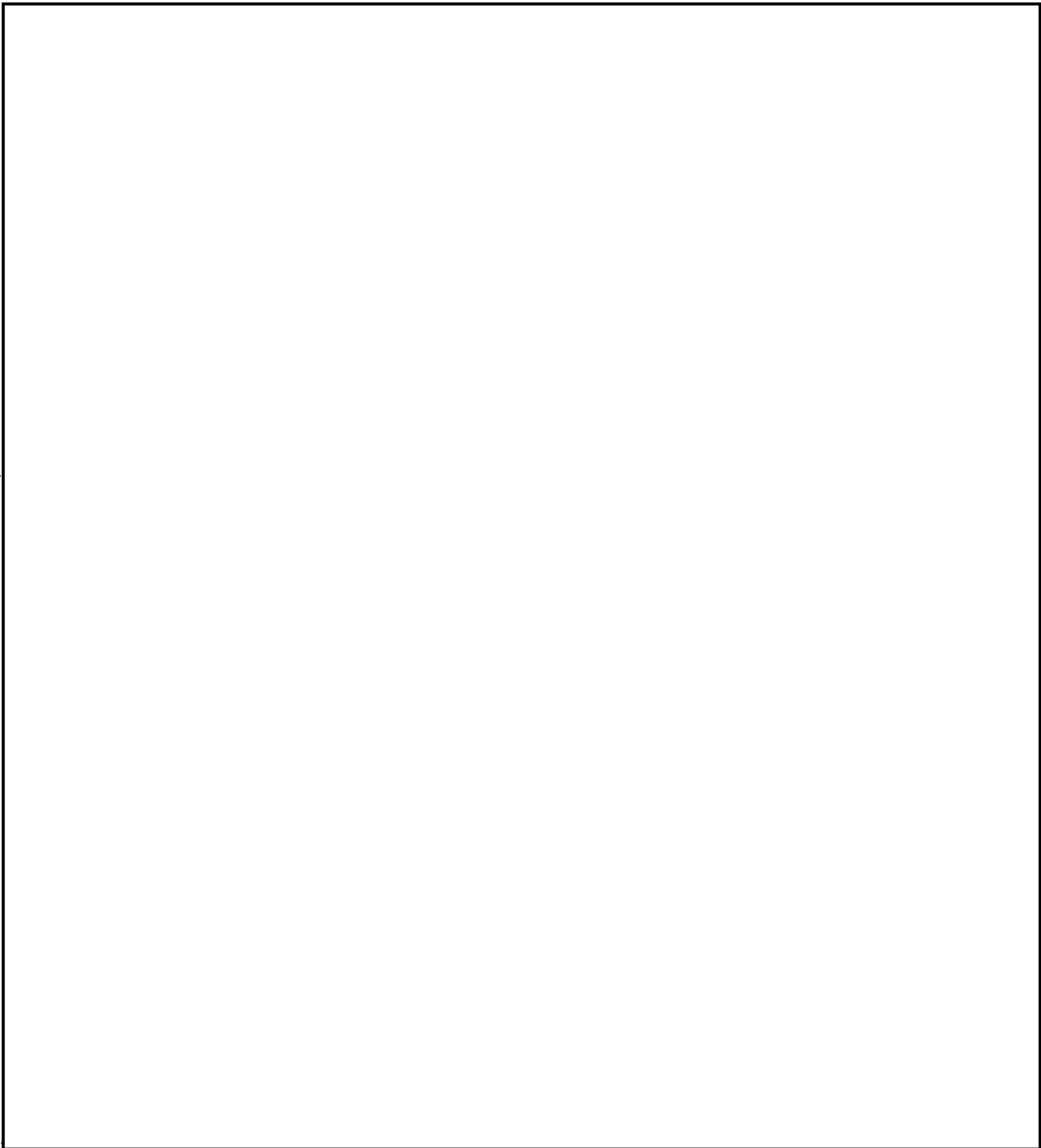
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Date of transcription 01/10/2012

On 12/21/2011 TFO [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] interviewed [REDACTED] is a white male born on [REDACTED] and resides at [REDACTED] in Charlotte NC [REDACTED] has an i-Phone and his cell number is [REDACTED]. The interview was conducted while [REDACTED] was on his lunch break at the Wendy's restaurant on Independence Blvd at Kings Drive. [REDACTED] works in the [REDACTED]. After being advised of the identities of the interviewing agents, [REDACTED] provided the following information.

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[REDACTED] of the Islamic Community Center of Charlotte (ICC). He does not have an official position, only that of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. They have [REDACTED].

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[REDACTED] stated that he spoke with SAMIR KHAN four or five times. [REDACTED] thought that SAMIR was a little strange, but then again SAMIR was not that outspoken with his belief's. [REDACTED] said that shortly after his activity became public, SAMIR went away. [REDACTED] did not know that SAMIR was in Yemen until he learned that he was killed. Since his death, there is no one in the community that is particularly upset over his death or acting in a radical manner because of his death.

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[REDACTED] was asked if there was anyone else in the community that was like SAMIR. [REDACTED] replied that there was no one else in the community that held belief's like his. [REDACTED] was asked if there was another person with SAMIR's type of belief's, would the community contact the FBI? [REDACTED] stated that he felt that the community would be hesitant to call and that the community would prefer to handle the situation themselves.

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[REDACTED] expanded on that topic by saying that there were many in the community that felt SAMIR was unfairly killed. There was no trial or conviction for what he did. Many in the community felt that he was unfairly targeted.

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In addition to SAMIR, [REDACTED] spoke with [REDACTED] (writers note: [REDACTED] several times. [REDACTED] states that the [REDACTED] does not believe in the same things that SAMIR does. In

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by SA [REDACTED]

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fact, [REDACTED] is against what SAMIR believes. When asked about how the rest of [REDACTED] was taking news of SAMIR's death, [REDACTED] advised that they seemed to be doing well. They had a normal amount of grief for the loss [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interested in what programs the FBI could offer, if the community came across a person like SAMIR. It was explained to [REDACTED] that the person would have to be identified and then an interview with that person, to determine the extent of their issues. Agents compared it to an assessment of a gang member and explained that sometimes an interview was enough to get the gang member to change paths.

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[REDACTED] was asked about the ICC. [REDACTED] stated that there had been no problems, although they did have a break-in and the suspect was the brother of a member. (Writers note: [REDACTED] brother of [REDACTED])

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[REDACTED] and the agents exchanged business cards. [REDACTED] agreed to call if he has any information.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/14/2012

To: Charlotte

From: Charlotte

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: [REDACTED]

Title: KHAN, SAMIR, ZAFAR

Synopsis: Close case.

Details: In late 2011, captioned subject was killed in a military drone strike while in close proximity to FBI subject and known terrorist Anwar al-Aulaqi.

No further investigation will be conducted on this subject.

SA [REDACTED] is transferring to the Dallas Division and requests the closing of the captioned case.

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Date of transcription 01/12/2012

[REDACTED] (hereafter referred to as [REDACTED], date of birth [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] was interviewed at his residence, [REDACTED] Charlotte NC. [REDACTED] (protect identity) voluntarily provided the following information to SA [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was very receptive to the interviewing agents. [REDACTED] was previously interviewed by SA [REDACTED] on several occasions in the past.

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[REDACTED] recently contacted [REDACTED] Samir Khan [REDACTED] Samir Khan's death. Samir Khan was killed in a U.S. drone attack in Yemen along with Muslim cleric, Anwar Al-Aulaqi. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is not aware of any discrimination of Muslims within the Charlotte Community, following the news of Samir Khan's death. [REDACTED] is not aware of anyone who is "outraged" with Samir Khan's death. As expected, Samir Khan [REDACTED] is experiencing grief. [REDACTED] did however, express concern for Samir Khan [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] surmised that [REDACTED] was most likely exposed to Samir Khan's radical beliefs and ideologies. [REDACTED] could provide no specific threat indicators with respect to [REDACTED] but suggested that human nature could cause [REDACTED] to be resentful of the U.S. government.

[REDACTED] reported that certainly, no one within the Charlotte Muslim Community has expressed that Khan's death was justified. However, [REDACTED] reported that most Muslims are of the opinion that Samir Khan brought these unfortunate events upon himself. [REDACTED] cited Samir Khan's publishing of terrorist writings on the Internet and traveling to Yemen, associating with individuals such as Anwar Al-Aulaqi, as contributing to his demise.

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Investigation on 12/07/2011 at Charlotte, NC

File [REDACTED] Date dictated 12/07/2011  
by SA [REDACTED]  
SA [REDACTED]

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[redacted] has not seen [redacted]  
in months. [redacted]

[redacted] seemed very inquisitive with regard to studying Islam.

[redacted] advised that there are currently [redacted]  
members at the Islamic Society of Greater Charlotte. (ISGC). There  
is also a new Imam at the ISGC now, which has resulted in more  
unified and controlled prayer assembly. [redacted]

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There is also new moderate Imam at the Masjid An-Noor  
located on Shamrock Drive in Charlotte, who is very proactive with  
the younger people in the masjid. This is also the location of the  
Muslim American Society of Charlotte (MAS).

[redacted] was asked if he was aware of any radical Muslims who  
are incarcerated or Imams practicing at correctional facilities.

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[redacted] was shown a photograph of [redacted] stated  
that he may have seen this individual at the ISGC and recalled that  
he may have been [redacted]

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/17/2012

To: Counterterrorism

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Charlotte

From:

Contact: SA

Approved By:

Drafted By:

Case ID #:

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(S) To: ?? From: [redacted]  
Re: (X) [redacted] 01/17/2012

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(U) (X) SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN

(X) [redacted]

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**Synopsis:** (U) To report captioned subject interview results to file and notify recipients of same.

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Reference:

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(S) To: ?? From: [redacted]  
Re: (X) [redacted] 01/17/2012

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(U) On Wednesday, January 11, 2012, writer and SA [redacted] interviewed [redacted] at a local eatery at his request. Pertinent results follow.

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(U) [redacted] (hereinafter, [redacted]) explained that he'd like to clarify a couple of issues as more fully explained herein.

(U) [redacted] explained that he had acted as a point of contact on behalf of the [redacted] et.al) [redacted] Samir Khan. [redacted] contact was solely with U.S. DOS officials and he had no interaction with Yemeni officials.

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(U) [redacted] has maintained contact with [redacted] post drone strike.

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(U) [redacted] advised that [redacted] had recently been denied access to his return flight from Philadelphia (PA) to Charlotte after having visited [redacted] in the greater Philadelphia area.

(U) [redacted] opined that [redacted] has been [redacted] Moreover, [redacted] believes the [redacted] Samir.

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(S) To: ?? From: [redacted]  
Re: (U) [redacted] 01/17/2012

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(U) To [redacted] knowledge, and observation(s), neither [redacted] share Samir Khan's ideology nor has either individual exhibited any form of behavior that has caused him concern pre, or post, drone strike. Moreover, [redacted] is an extrovert in comparison to Samir whom [redacted] considered an introvert. In that context, [redacted] opined that if [redacted] shared the same ideology as had Samir, [redacted] and/or other [redacted] [redacted] would have observed that form of behavior and intervened by now.

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(U) Lastly, [redacted] expressed his belief that he has been [redacted] in consideration of having been [redacted] [redacted] in June, 2011, while traveling on a U.S. diplomatic passport. [redacted] explained that he had filed a letter of inquiry for which he has received a response (re-dress) from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. [redacted] presented this document to interviewing agents for their review.

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Re: (U) [REDACTED] 01/17/2012

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Set Lead 2: (Info)

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AT [REDACTED]

(U) Read and clear.

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Set Lead 3: (Info)

COUNTERTERRORISM

AT [REDACTED]

(U) Read and clear.

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Set Lead 4: (Info)

COUNTERTERRORISM

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Re: (U) [redacted] 01/17/2012

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Set Lead 7: (Info)

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Set Lead 8: (Info)

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Set Lead 9: (Info)

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Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2012 6:25 PM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Cc: [REDACTED]  
Subject: FW: Khan Contact information

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Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2012 6:22 PM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Cc: [REDACTED]  
Subject: RE: Khan Contact information

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From: [redacted]  
Sent: Wednesday, January 18, 2012 4:02 PM  
To: [redacted]  
Cc: [redacted]  
Subject: Khan Contact information

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Friday, January 20, 2012 11:16 AM

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2011 3:24 PM  
To: [REDACTED]  
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I just wanted to follow-up with some additional information regarding the conversation below.

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From: [redacted]

Sent: Tuesday, February 01, 2011 1:08 PM

To: [redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

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Subject: [REDACTED]

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Thanks for the coordination [REDACTED] and we'll keep you posted if we turn up anything.

SA [REDACTED]  
FBI Charlotte [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, February 01, 2011 8:01 AM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Cc: [REDACTED]  
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Subject: [REDACTED] (S)

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Good Morning Mr. [REDACTED]

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Any information confirming or denying this information would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks!

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From: [redacted]  
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2012 1:20 PM  
To: [redacted]  
Subject: RE: More info

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[redacted] - to close the loop on talking to [redacted] about her knowledge of Samir Khan, [redacted] stated this was a case of mistaken identity.  
The individual from [redacted] that she thought was Khan, was not him.  
[redacted]

From: [redacted]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2011 1:56 PM  
To: [redacted]  
Subject: RE: More info

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Hopefully talking to her amounts to something....  
[redacted]

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[redacted]

From: [redacted]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2011 11:47 AM  
To: [redacted]  
Subject: RE: More info

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Copy, thanks.  
[redacted]

From: [redacted]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2011 11:45 AM  
To: [redacted]  
Subject: RE: More info

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I will get her info and pass it along...I was getting it third hand through [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2011 11:28 AM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Subject: RE: More info

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[REDACTED] my guy did attend [REDACTED] He was an [REDACTED] but maybe there was an [REDACTED] that he took.  
Even though if all she has is that he knew about [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Do you want to write it up or give me her info?  
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2011 11:18 AM  
To: [REDACTED]  
Subject: More info

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Hey [REDACTED]

The name of the school is [REDACTED]

Do not have an exact timeline but approximately 2 years ago.....

Do you think it is your guy?

SA [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/19/2012

To: Charlotte

From: Charlotte

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: (U)  
(U)  
(U)Title: ~~(S)~~ SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN

(U) STATS

(U) [REDACTED]

Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ To document case presentation and [REDACTED] on  
01/13/2012.

~~(S)~~ Derived From : G-1  
Declassify On: 01/19/2037

Details: ~~(S)~~ On 01/13/2012, IA [REDACTED] SOS [REDACTED]  
and writer participated in a one-day Samir Khan/Anwar Aulaqi  
Ideology Workshop sponsored by FBI's [REDACTED]. The workshop was  
held at the offices of [REDACTED]

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED] 01/19/2012

**Accomplishment Information:**

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Type: [REDACTED]

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Claimed By: [REDACTED]

SSN: [REDACTED]

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Attendees/Recipients: 30

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Name: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] on January 23, 2012:

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SA [REDACTED] telephonically spoke to [REDACTED]  
telephone number [REDACTED] was asked what information  
she had for the Federal Bureau of Investigation regarding SAMIR  
KHAN. [REDACTED] apologized and stated that she does not have  
information on KHAN; she thought an individual she knew from  
Central Piedmont Community College was KHAN, but she recently saw  
this individual. [REDACTED] stated that this must be a case of  
mistaken identity because she knows KHAN is dead.

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/26/2012

To: Charlotte

From: Charlotte

Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

Case ID #: (U) [redacted]

Title: ~~(S)~~ SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - SUNNI EXTREMISM - MIDDLE EAST

Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ To document SSA authorization for case agent to request the removal of Samir Zafar Khan from [redacted]

Derived From: ~~FBI NSISCG 20080301~~

Declassify On: ~~01/26/2037~~

Details: ~~(S)~~ Due to the fact that captioned subject, Samir Zafar Khan, DOB 12/25/1985, [redacted], was killed via an [redacted] drone strike on 09/30/2011, case agent is requesting that Khan be removed from all [redacted] databases via an [redacted]

~~(S)~~ Khan's death was documented in [redacted]

(U) This EC documents SSA approval to submit aforementioned [redacted]

~~(S)~~ The closing EC for this case is pending. The closing EC will provide a lead to [redacted] documenting the removal of Khan from [redacted]

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**Precedence:** ROUTINE

**Date:** 01/25/2012

**To:** Charlotte

**From:** Charlotte

**Contact:** SA [REDACTED]

**Approved By:** [REDACTED]

**Drafted By:** [REDACTED]

(U) **Case ID #:** (U) [REDACTED]

**Title:** (S) SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - SUNNI EXTREMISM - MIDDLE EAST

(U) **Synopsis:** (S) To document administrative matters prior to closing case.

**Derived From :** ~~FBI NSISCG 20080301~~

**Declassify On:** ~~01/25/2037~~

**Details:** (S) [REDACTED]

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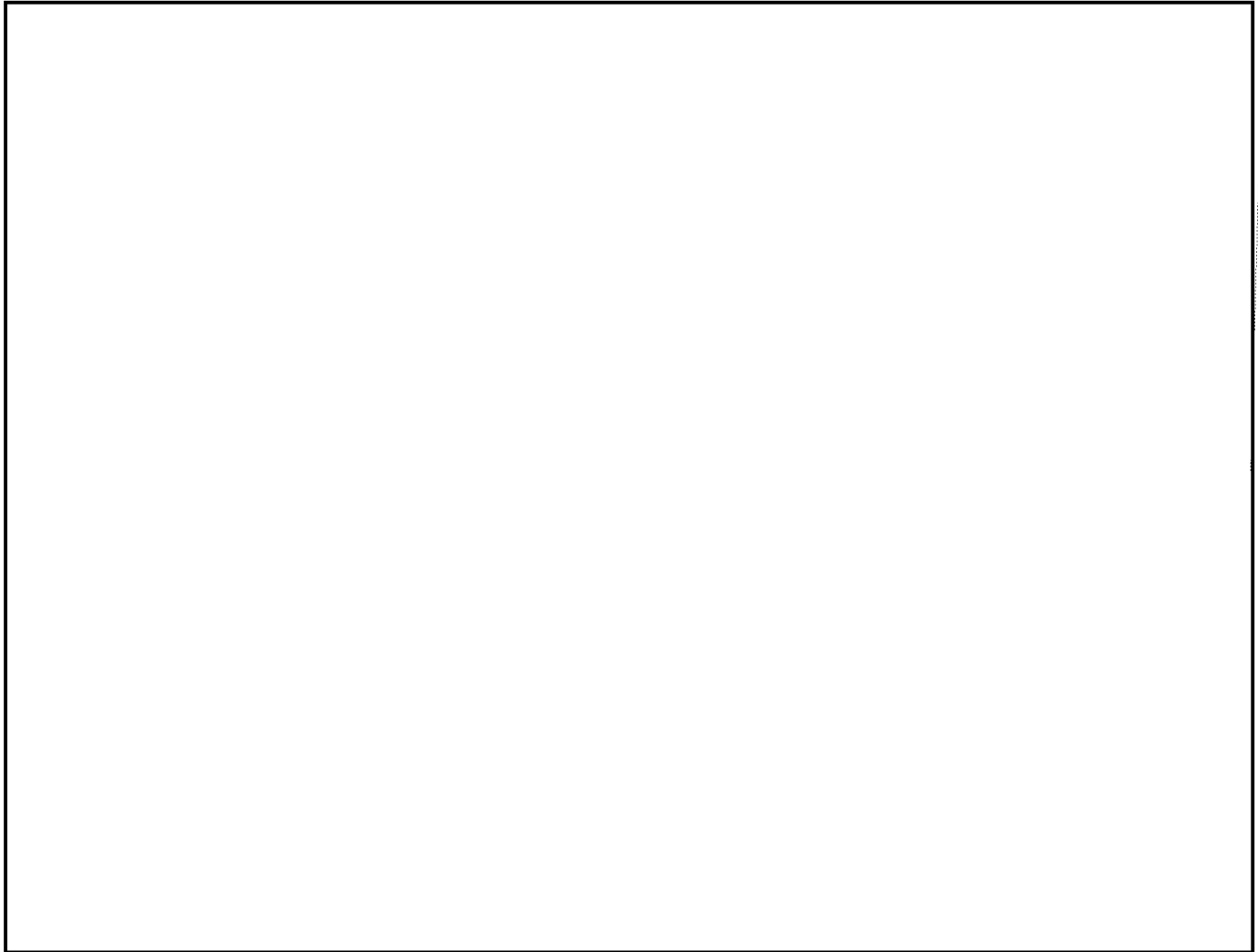
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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/25/2012

To: [redacted]  
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Attn: [redacted]  
SA  
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SA [redacted]

From: Charlotte

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Contact: SA [redacted]

Approved By: [redacted]

Drafted By: [redacted]

(S) Case ID #: (U)  
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Title: (S) SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN

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Synopsis: (S) (X) [redacted]

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Enclosure(s): (U) Enclosed find a recent [redacted]

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of [redacted] of [redacted]  
for [redacted] and [redacted] used as a  
basis for various interviews.

Details:

SAMIR KHAN CASE OVERVIEW

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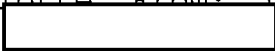
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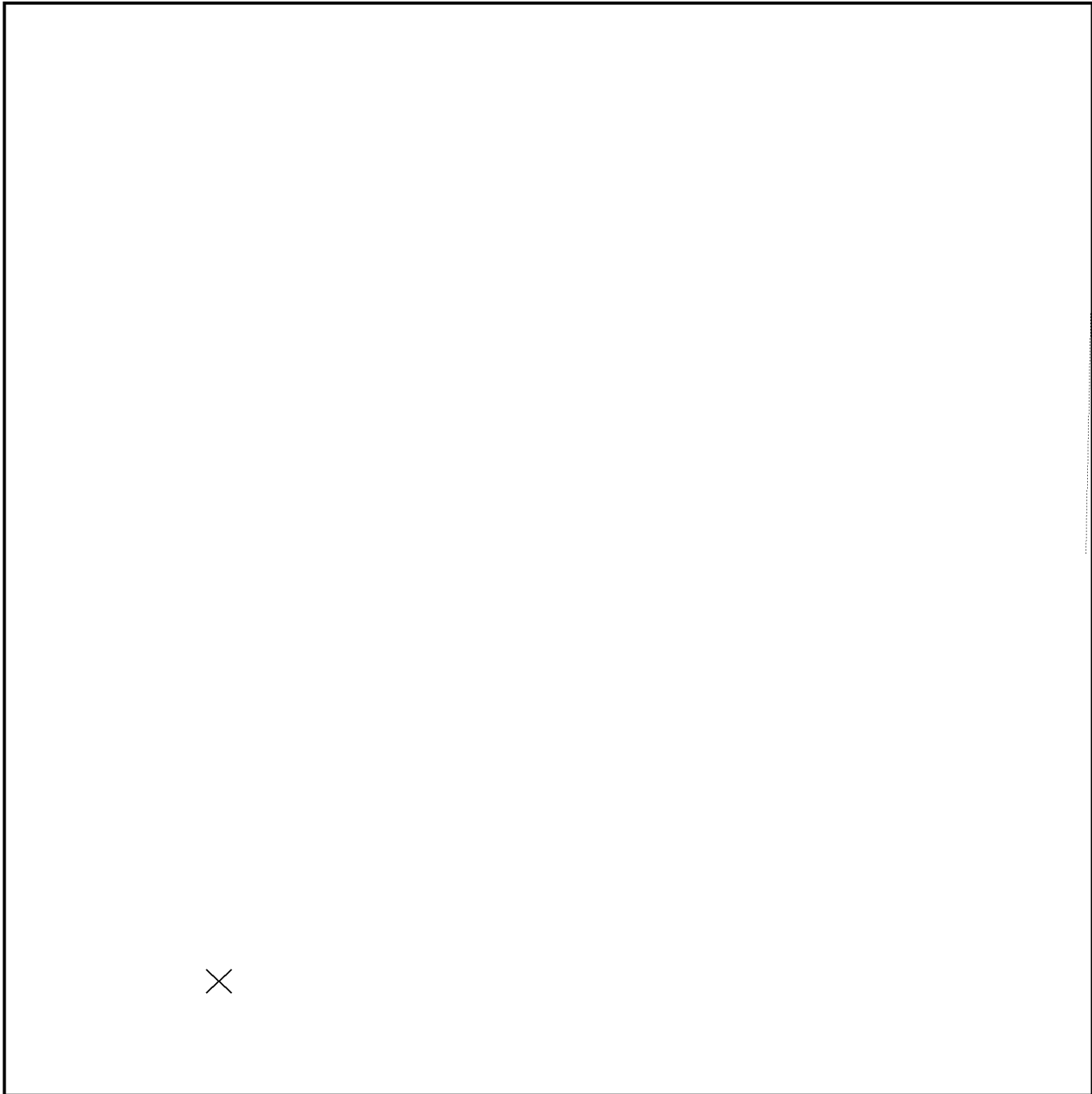
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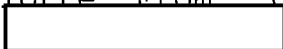
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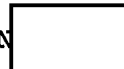
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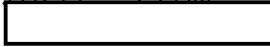
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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 01/25/2012

LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Action)

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AT [redacted]

(U//~~FOUO~~) Please locate and conduct an [redacted]  
of [redacted] regarding her association with Samir Khan, [redacted]  
[redacted] Additionally, attempt to derive  
information regarding interview topics [redacted]  
[redacted]

(U//~~FOUO~~) Additionally, if possible, please derive  
information regarding the whereabouts of [redacted]  
[redacted] lists Charlotte, NC as  
[redacted] a current address, but reporting leads FBI Charlotte  
to believe he may be living in the [redacted] area or near the West  
coast. [redacted] DOB is [redacted]

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Please complete an unclassified 302 for the  
interview (or insert, if unsuccessful), reporting Case [redacted]  
[redacted] on the 302.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

**Precedence:** ROUTINE

**Date:** 01/30/2012

**To:** Counterterrorism

**Attn:** [REDACTED]

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SSA [REDACTED]

Charlotte

**Attn:** ECT [REDACTED]

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**From:** Charlotte

**Contact:** SA [REDACTED]

**Approved By:** [REDACTED]

**Drafted By:** [REDACTED]

**Case ID #:** (U) [REDACTED]

**Title:** (S) SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - SUNNI EXTREMISM - MIDDLE EAST

**Synopsis:** (S) [REDACTED] (S)

**Derived From :** FBI NSISCG 20080301

**Declassify On:** 01/30/2037

**Details:** (S) [REDACTED] (S)

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To: Counterterrorism  
Re: (U) [REDACTED]

From: Charlotte  
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Re: (U) [REDACTED] 01/30/2012

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To: Counterterrorism From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [REDACTED] 01/30/2012

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To: Count[redacted] From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 01/30/2012

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LEAD(s):

Set Lead 1: (Action)

CHARLOTTE

(U) AT CHARLOTTE, NC

(S) For ECT [redacted] As previously  
discussed with case agent and as outlined in above EC, please  
handle all aforementioned evidence in captioned case.

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Set Lead 2 (Info)

COUNTERTERRORISM

AT [redacted]

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(U) (S) [redacted] For information.

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I hope this helps-

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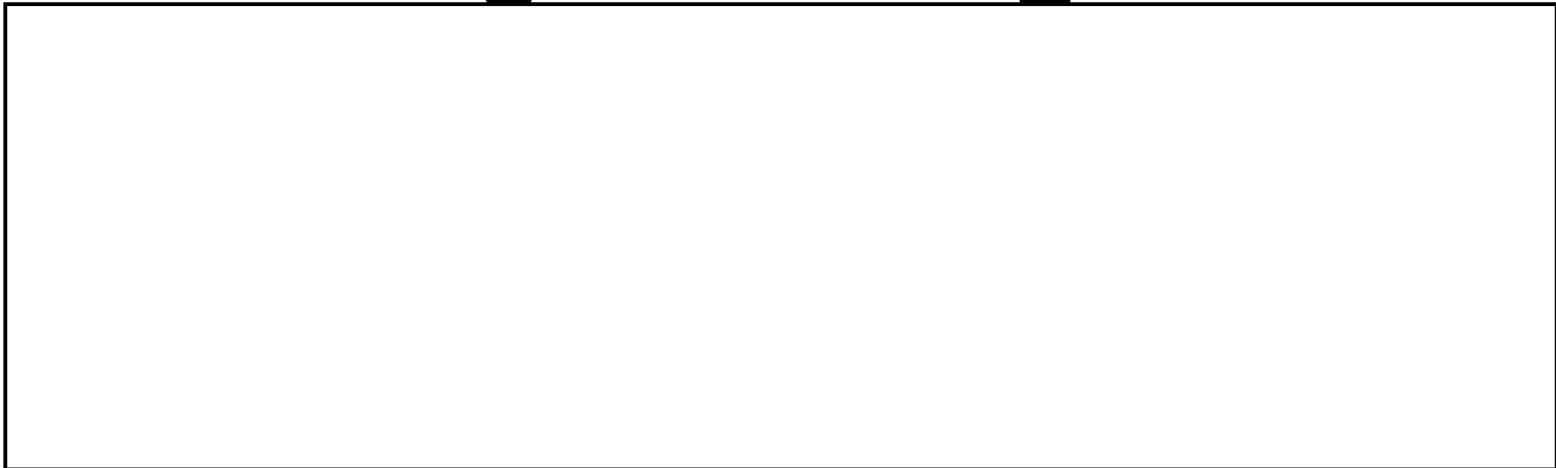
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Synopsis: (U) Review, analysis and documentation of Khan's historical postings and writings on various open source forums/blogs.

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Enclosures: (U) One screen capture of Samir Khan's 2004/2005 Blog, "Human Liberation - an Islamic Renaissance" - User Profile for "inshALLAHshaheed." Four screen captures of Samir Khan's Blog, "Human Liberation - an Islamic Renaissance:" November 2004, January 2005, September 2005 and October 2005. Three screen captures of Samir Khan's 2004/2005 presence on AlMaghrib Forums: posting, threads and profile.

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(U) Open source searches revealed a 2004/2005 blog facilitated by Khan, "Human Liberation - an Islamic Renaissance." Khan's profile, inshALLAHshaheed, lists his industry as "student," occupation as "tutor" and location as "Charlotte, North Carolina, United States." The "About Me" section of this

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(U) Khan appears to have initiated the "Human Liberation - an Islamic Renaissance" in 11/2004, at which time he indicated that he decided to stop updating his Xanga blog since he altered the javascript incorrectly.

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(U) Khan's "Human Liberation - an Islamic Renaissance" 09/2005 thread focused on Sociological issues as Khan was currently studying sociology in college. Khan indicates that he also posts thoughts on his more active blog: [www.xanga.com/inshALLAHshaheed](http://www.xanga.com/inshALLAHshaheed). [NOTE: A search for Khan's xanga blog via open source on 05/23/2012 yielded negative results.] In this thread Khan discussed the idea of the United States banning alcohol, but not being able to do such until the United States purifies the nation. Khan discusses the "bottom-up approach to establishing the Kingdom of Allah on earth" by purifying the people.

(U) Khan's "Human Liberation - an Islamic Renaissance" 10/2005 thread focused on the following issues: biography of Israr Ahmad, the founder of Tanzeem-e-Islami; the biography of Sayyid Qutb, "an important theoretician of the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood;" Liberal movements within Islam; Islamic Philosophy; and the Sociology of knowledge. Of notable interest is Khan's biography of Israr Ahmad as it indicates that he is still a follower of the Tanzeem-e-Islami philosophy. To counter that following, Khan also describes the life of Sayyid Qutb, "his commentary on the Qur'an has been extremely influential; some see him as the central theorist of twentieth-century Islamism." Khan notes that one of Qutb's "students and ardent followers was [redacted] Osama bin Ladin."

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[NOTE: Khan provides literary references, theoretical works, and additional links within each of the postings. It is also noted that Khan's interest and potential support of Qutb could indicate his early-radicalization stages.]

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And fight against them until there is no more oppression and all Deen belongs to Allah alone. (Al-Anfal 8:39)

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<u>Re: powerful yet scary hadith - who knows its explanation?</u> Assalam Alaikum, Alrighty, I got an Email from the site: ***** on that hadith about the 5 fard obligations, namely, The Jama'ah, Listening, Obeying, Hijrah and Jihad Fe Sabillillah. They really...		
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"Hence, it is Mandub for the Khalifah to seek the Ummah's opinion and not obligatory upon him. This is so because although Allah (swt) praised the Shura, He (swt) however restricted it to the area of..."

X 11-03-2004, 04:34 PM

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X **Democracy and Khilafah: The Philosophical Foundations of Islam**

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Posted By [SamiribnZafarKhan](#)

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He studied in Al Azhar for sometime, then at Masjid Ar Rahman which is Ahlul Hadith in Pakistan, an active member of Tanzeem, and he's a student of Dr. Israr Ahmad. There r sum other things i left...

X 11-03-2004, 11:54 AM

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X **Democracy & Deen ul Islam: A Comparison**

Replies: 11

Posted By [SamiribnZafarKhan](#)

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Assalam Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu.

This article is a further explanation of the previous one entitled, "Democracy and Khilafah: The Philosophical Foundations of Islam". I suggest you read...

X 11-03-2004, 11:51 AM

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Posted By [SamiribnZafarKhan](#)

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Salam,

Yes, this article lacks the deconstruction of democracy as an ideology because this article was just an introduction to the subject. I have another other article, by the same author, who goes...

X 11-02-2004, 04:36 PM

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Democracy and Khilafah: The Philosophical Foundations of Islam  
by Sheikh Omar Baloch

The Prophet Muhammad (saw) said, "Islam started as something strange and will again return as something strange...."

X 10-25-2004, 08:42 PM

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Assalam Alaikum WRWB,

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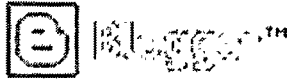
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Your pajamas have duckies on them. Why did you switch from choo-choos?

What color is patch?

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PROPHET MUHAMMAD (PEACE BE UPON HIM)!

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Assalam Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

I've decided to stop updating my Xanga since I screwed up terribly on  
the Javascript so much so, I couldn't even edit it no more lol.

So I'll start posting here inshAllah.

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## The destiny of Israel

The following article is written by a Journalist I know of and enjoy reading. In this article, he surrounds his arguments around Shaykh Imran N. Hosein's book, "Jerusalem in the Qur'an"... This article is *REALLY* good:

### **The destiny of Israel**

Abid Ullah Jan

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We must realize that something horrible is in store for the world in which starving half a million children to death is a valid price but calling Israel an illegitimate and racist state has become the most serious crime.

Many would agree with the statement that it is highly unlikely that the Israeli oppression and unaccountability can continue for another 50 years before it faces the horrible consequences. But many would be surprised to know that it is matter of a few more years before Israel overtakes the US as a Ruling State, just as the US replaced England as a Ruling State at the end of World War 1.

Those of us who find this observation strange may not realize that we are passing through very strange times. Indications of the coming times are right before our eyes, for

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example in finding one set of people not allowed to simply cover their head for it undermines secular values. Whereas another people are free to occupy land, subjugate native people, indiscriminately kill and expel those who do not share the same race, and engage in ethnic cleansing on the grounds of their distorted scriptures.

Another indication is helplessness of the whole world before the Israeli aggression, defiance, WMD and state terrorism. The question arises: Why has Israel been granted this special status and special support despite the world looking at its undeniable crimes with wide open eyes? Why other countries are punished with decades of genocidal sanctions, wars and occupations for far minor crimes than the Israeli government?

One can find answer to these and many similar questions in Jerusalem in the Qur'an by Imran N. Hosein. It is an amazing book, explaining not only the destiny of Jerusalem but also of Jews and Muslims and the rest of the world in an extremely broad perspective. We fail to find answers to such questions because we are lost in the distorted realities that revolve around ongoing events alone.

Jerusalem in the Qur'an shows us the future in a broader historical, religious perspective. The author proves his bold conclusions, such as that the Israel is close to replacing the US as a Ruling State, in a mathematical way. The book also brings forward many hidden aspects of the Qur'an that answers questions lurking in the minds of many Americans who truly love their country and many Muslims who are looking but at just part of the Divine knowledge. Extracting argument from the Qur'an and sayings of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), the author proves that it is just a matter of time before the US taste the fruits of the American-Israeli obsession with the Holy Land. It is exactly same way in which England at its peak was strangely obsessed with the Holy Land. "The British people were themselves incapable of explaining this strange obsession," argues the author.

Jerusalem in the Qur'an explains the roots and consequences of this strange Euro-American obsession with the Holy Land. Using references from the Qur'an about behavior of the Jews, destiny of Jerusalem, and related prophecies, the author clearly shows how Israel — armed with enough WMD and supported by Euro-Jewish financiers and bankers — has it within its power to assume financial control of the world through the simple maneuver of causing the collapse of the US dollar. "When the US dollar goes down

This may be planned to synchronize with a spectacular Euro-Israeli display of military power in an attack on the Palestinians as well as neighboring Arab States." The author goes on: "Israel will then successfully defy the rest of the world in holding on to the fruits of its war and, in so doing, establish itself as the ruling power in the world. When that occurs it would most certainly appear to the Israeli-Jews (i.e., Banū Isrā'īl) that they would be experiencing the return of the golden age, i.e., the age when Solomon's Israel ruled the world."

*Author's open challenge to all*

The story of the rise and fall of Jews and Muslims and the coming events is told in such an interesting and logical manner that one cannot help but sit and finish the whole book in a single go. Interestingly, the book throws an open challenge to both Muslims and non-Muslims. The challenge to Muslims is to "declare either that the Qur'an does not explain the return of the Jews to the Holy Land and the restoration of the State of Israel, or that there is a different explanation other than the one given in this book."

To non-Muslims the challenge is that if they "declare that they possess the Truth," they should "use that Truth to explain this subject." That appears to be the greatest importance of this book. It validates the Islamic claim to Truth! Let us take an example from the book.

According to the author, the strangest, most mysterious and most inexplicable events ever to have occurred in the religious history of mankind is the return of the Jews to the Holy Land to reclaim it as their own some 2000 years after they had been expelled by Allah.

At the very heart of the Qur'anic view in this regard is the declaration that when the final count-down in the Last Age arrives Jews would be gathered from the Diaspora in which they were broken up and dispersed, and to which they had been consigned, and would be brought back to the Holy Land as a 'mingled crowd' (Qur'an, 17:104). That Divine promise has already been fulfilled.

But before Banū Israel's final divine punishment takes place, there is great drama which is yet to unfold in the Holy Land and, indeed, in the world -- such as the establishment of the greater Israel, which the author calls the Ruling State. The Transfer of power from the US, in author's view, has already

Iraq and Afghanistan.

Furthermore, "Muslims have precise information of the moment in time when Jesus (sallallahu 'alaihi wa sallam), the Messiah, will return" and when "the Zionist-Jews will finally reach the supreme moment in their over-all strategy to get the Arabs to submit to Jewish rule in the Holy Land . "It will be when the water in the Sea in Galilee has almost dried up, or has dried up...That submission would imply their worship of the False Messiah rather than the worship of Allah Most High. They would be required to submit to Israel in order to get water from the desalinization plants that Israel would build. The Arabs would be too poor to be able to afford to buy water."

The book gives substantial references from the Qur'an and sayings of the Prophet Muhammad to prove this point along with the scientific reports which show that water in the Sea in Galilee is really drying up faster than expected. Furthermore, the author has made a commendable effort to present in the simple possible language the link between anti-Christ and Riba and between Gog and Magog in the light of Prophet Muhammad's (PBUH) sayings.

It makes the book a great effort in the sense that it gathered scattered and often disregarded information for focusing on a specific subject with full force. It is highly unlikely that anyone who reads this book would have any doubt about the author's clarification of some very complex issues such as that of anti-Christ and what is in store for the world.

#### *Zionist's reality*

There is much talk about hidden power of the Zionists but no one has so far explained the historical and religious aspect of their actions and respective implication as Imran N. Hosein has done through an impartial analysis of all relevant religious and historical sources.

Even most of the Muslims have started making concessions to the Israeli claim that it has Biblical claims to the Holy Land. The author argues that the so-called defenders of Israel are the Zionists who "have essentially abandoned the ethical heart of the religion of Abraham (sallallahu 'alaihi wa sallam)." The author effectively proves that the Zionists amended Torah and declared many permissible as prohibited and vice versa. And finally they have imposed an "impostor Israel" instead of "real Israel".

The author asks whether the Zionists right to inherit the

Holy Land is unconditional. Would it still be valid if they establish a secular state and "their progeny were to abandon the religion of Abraham and the laws of Allah? ""We should note that the God of Abraham (‘alaihi al-Salām) prohibited the borrowing and lending of money on interest (Ribā ). [1] The Jews changed the Torah to legalize the lending of money on interest to those who were not Jews. Not only is Ribā legal in the Holy Land today, but so are also many other things that were prohibited by Allah, Most High."

Before and after the formation of the State of Israel, Zionists have been engaged in injustice, oppression, tyranny and repression, while Abraham was clearly told that Allah's covenant of promise will not reach those of Abraham's offspring who commit acts of Dhulum (i.e., injustice, oppression, tyranny, repression, suppression) — Al-Qur'an, 2:124.

This is exactly how the Zionist-secular state of Israel is established and it continues to display the same behavior. And according to the Qur'an: "And We declared in the Zabur (i.e., the Psalms ) which followed (Our declaration in) the Zikr (i.e., the Torah ) that it is (only) those servants of Mine who are righteous in their conduct who would inherit the (Holy) Land." (Al-Qur'an, 21:105). The author thus proves that the Qur'an not only reaffirmed 'righteousness' as the condition for such inheritance (Sūrah al-Anbiyāh , 21:105), but went on to direct attention to the historical evidence that violation of that condition always resulted in Divine expulsion from the (Holy) Land.

The book gives numerous examples from the Israeli press to show that it is a godless and oppressive system which has nothing to do with the re-establishment of ancient Israel and the law of Abraham. One of the example from the horse's mouth is an editorial in the Jerusalem Post which has this to say: For too many Israelis, Jewishness has become an archaic, primitive, and irrelevant system that competes for power and funding, and even a source of embarrassment for an intellectually-oriented modern society (Jerusalem Post, September 12, 2000).

### *Zionist Strategy*

The author distinguishes between the key roles of the Israelite or Sephardic Jews (descendents of Prophet Isaac), and the Jews of European origin. It is the Zionists from Europe who distorted scriptures from the Torah and Bible to justify their crimes and to motivate the Jews to establish a State of Israel that extends from the Nile to the Euphrates

with Jerusalem as its capital.

According to the author the Zionists exploited "every single lie that was put into the Bible by embellishing those lies with a mountain of more lies." They worked with the corrupt ruling Arab elites to make their client states recognize Israel and then abandon them at an appropriate time. "This Jewish-Arab (elite) strategy has today reached an advanced stage of implementation. ... Indeed the strategy of abandoning that Arab elite has already begun."

Here the author also proves that well according to the prayers of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) the strategy did not work out in Syria and Yemen. [2]

The book is actually partly written in response to the Zionists lies promoted by spokespersons, such as Daniel Pipes, who in his July 21, 2000 article in LA Times attempted to dismiss any Islamic claim to Jerusalem by declaring of Jerusalem, among other things, that: "It is not once mentioned in the Qur'ān or in the liturgy". The way Imran N. Hosein collected different pieces of history and linked them like beads through the message of the Qur'an with respect to Jerusalem is enough to leave Pipes speechless.

The reason Zionists ignore even those portions of the Qur'an which mention that Holy Land was given to Jews (5:24-6; Again it amazes me that Jewish and Zionist scholarship should so studiously have avoided quoting these plain statements in which the Qur'ān declared that the Holy Land was given to the Jews (5:24-6; 17:103-104 and 7:137) is because the Qur'an also "offers an explanation for that strange behavior. The explanation resides in their reluctance to reveal the corruption of the divine conditions in the Torah which Allah Most High had ordained for inheritance of the Holy Land . The fraud in the rewritten Torah is exposed in the Qur'ān."

So the Zionist dream of liberating the Holy Land from Gentiles and restoring the State of Israel is well on the way to realization. The author predicts that the Temple would be reconstructed for the Jewish worship. Even as we are writing this review, the news arrived that a Zionist in the US has donated \$10 million and Israeli government is on the way to dig another tunnel under Masjid al-Aqsa — a step in the direction of fulfilling the long awaited dream to demolishing the Masjid and reconstructing the Temple (Masjid) of Solomon (alaihi al-Salām).

Since the Zionists will achieve all these apparent successes in the most inhuman manner, the author digs out references



from the Qur'an that after expelling the rebellious Jews out of the Holy Land for the second time, Allah declared His intention to keep on punishing them "if they kept on desecrating the Holy Land with violations of the condition of faith and righteous conduct. '....but if ye revert (to your violation of the condition imposed for inheritance of the Holy Land ) We shall revert (to Our punishments. i.e., you will be expelled again and again)....' (Qur'an, Banū Isrā'īl , 17:8)."

Keeping the apartheid and ethnic cleansing based racist policies of the Israeli state in mind, the author concludes that the destiny of "Jerusalem is plainly written in the above warning and firm declaration in the Qur'an. This remains so regardless of any...agreements negotiated in Camp David... resolution of the US Senate...[or] resolutions of the UN..."

### *Appearance vs. reality*

Another beauty of the book is the author's skillful separation of appearances from the reality in the light of the Qur'an. It greatly assists readers in understanding the issues in which many Jews disagree. This work is a proof how the complex riddles of present day politics and international relation can never be understood without referring to the Qur'an which clearly states: "Verily the Qur'an explains to the Israelites most of the matters in which they disagree. And it certainly is a Guide and a Mercy to those who believe" (Al-Qur'an, 27:76-7). And Middle East is at the centre of a never ending problem.

Apparently most Jews have embraced Israel as the fulfillment of their greatest dream of returning to the Holy Land. It will soon become a Ruling State as no one can challenge it in any way. In the author's view, "The fact that they have been so utterly and completely deceived by the Impostor State of Israel is indicative of their continuing spiritual blindness."

The 'reality' from the Islamic point of view is that the Antichrist has deceived the Jews into believing that divine grace has brought them this close to the complete fulfillment of their greatest dream. The 'reality' is that their spiritual blindness has led them into a divine trap from which there is now no escape." The much dreaded and oft-repeated 'destruction of Israel' is its destiny.

### *Confirmation of the reality*

Another beauty of this book is the seeming repetition at

some places. It, in fact, represented the extreme inter-connectedness and inescapable reality of history, scriptures and current affairs. The author hammers the nails of his argument from different directions until he conclusively proves his point of view.

In support of the above mentioned reality, the author brings forward a verse from the Holy Qur'an: "Allah has promised to those among you who believe (in Islām ) and are righteous in conduct that He will surely cause them to inherit the land (i.e., the Holy Land ), as He granted it to those before them (i.e., the Jews); that He will establish their religion (i.e., Islām) in authority (in the Holy Land), the (religion) which He has chosen for them (see Qur'ān, al-Maidah, 5:3); and that He will change (their state) after the fear in which they (lived) to one of security and peace: 'They will worship Me (alone) and not associate aught with Me.' If any do reject faith after this they are rebellious and wicked." (Qur'ān, al-Nūr , 24:55)

For explaining "the state of fear" in the above mentioned verse, the author refers to the "fear in which the believers [Muslims] live" and declares that "it must surely include the present awesome Israeli oppression in the Holy Land ."

### *Conclusion*

In a world in which one cannot afford to call Israel a racist state, where one cannot survive without recognizing its "legitimacy", where anyone calling for Israel's destruction is branded as a terrorist who deserves to be thrown into the concentration camp at Guantanamo Bay, presenting an undeniable thesis of its destruction needs a lot of courage.

To convincingly present his thesis, the author proves authenticity of quotes from religious scriptures with references to history and current affairs. At the same time, he effectively explains historical and current events in the light of religious scriptures. He also quotes many verses from the Holy Qur'an and sayings of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) which many of the co-opting Muslims try to avoid. Such shying away on the part of Muslims leaves many of the Westerners — particularly the Americans who love their country and don't want to see it bleeding at the cost of propping Israel — ignorant of the Truth and unaware of the hard facts.

The reason Imran N. Hosein could say it all in his book Jerusalem in the Qur'an is simply that he is neither head of a client state nor a hand picked sheikh of Al-Azhar. He is not afraid of losing any title of fake Islamic scholarship. This

makes his in depth research into the divine scriptures, history and current affairs a valuable lesson for every human being on the face of earth.


### Notes

[1] "Thou shalt not lend on interest to thy brother (Jew); whether it be lending money on interest, or lending commodities on interest (because commodities were sometimes used as money) or lending on interest anything which is lent on interest (i.e., anything which functions as money). Unto a stranger (i.e., one who is not a Jew) you may lend on interest..." (Deuteronomy , 23:19-20)

Their crimes also included: "This is why the wisdom of God said: I will send them Prophets and Messengers. Some they will kill and some they will persecute. It was that the blood of all the Prophets shed from the foundation of the world might be charged upon this generation (of Jews), from the blood of Abel down to the blood of Zakariah , who was slain between the altar and the House of God - yes, I tell you, it will all be charged upon this generation...." (Luke, 11:49-51)

[2] "Narrated by Ibn Umar : The Prophet (sallallahu 'alaihi wa sallam) said: O Allah! Bestow Your Blessings on our Sham (Syria) and our Yemen . People said: Our Najd (Najd is that part of Saudi Arabia from which the Saudi rulers have originated). The Prophet again said: O Allah! Bestow Your Blessings on our Sham and Yemen. They said again: Our Najd as well. On that the Prophet said: There will appear earthquakes and afflictions, and from there (i.e., Najd) will come out the side of the head of Satan ." (Sahih, Bukhari )

Abid Ullah Jan's latest book, The End of Democracy, has just been released in Canada.

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## The Philosophy of a true Islamic Revolution

Assalam Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu,

I hope all is well with you and your family.

My thoughts are now in the process of forcing my fingers to work. Unfortunately, I have to be very brief because I am extremely tired.

What is the Philosophy of most revolutions? I mean like deep down, their root, their motivating cause or source, their ideal?

99% of the time, the answer will be a reward awaiting in the life of this world. For Revolutions, the goal is to achieve domination, and for some, world domination. It is to have more power, more authority, more rights, more money and so on. If it is a group that has a political agenda or economist agenda, that will be their very ideal; to achieve that end.

What makes up the philosophy of a true Islamic Revolution? Is it to acquire more wealth? A higher status? More control?

The answer, interestingly, does not lie within the life of this world; rather, it lies within the life of the next world, the Hereafter. The Philosophy of a true Islamic Revolution would be to attain the ultimate pleasure of Allah (The Most High) by fulfilling the given priorities in their proper order; the ideal is *not* achieving Paradise or being saved from the Hellfire, rather, the ideal is *Allah* (The Most High) purely.

What are those priorities?

1. Iman (Spiritual Purification of the heart)
2. Ibadah (Total willingness to submit to the will of Allah [The Most High])
3. Shahadah 'Alan Naas (Bearing witness unto humanity this gift of Islam)
4. Iqamat ud Deen (Establishing this gift given to humanity, Islam)

These priorities, when put into action, completely revolutionize the individual. No longer will the being be distracted by the worldly temptations that Allah (The Most High) tests him or her with.

What happens when you fall for the temptations of this world?

Let's analyze a few examples, starting with alcohol:

1. It is a sweet drink, and is put in many foods.
2. However, the harm is greater than the benefit.
3. How? At least from a purely scientific point of view, alcohol can damage the brain and if one were to take it too

far, can make one drunk; and we know what all happens to one who gets drunk.


Adultery or Dating:

1. It is very tempting and feels good when fulfilled.
2. Former Pres. Clinton prophesized that this country will one day have the majority of its children born out of wedlock; and this is slowly occurring! This is why Bush is saying "Marriage! Marriage! Marriage!"
3. But aside from that, what is wrong with it? It is, in actuality, a very *evil* way of **using** someone; there is no guarantee that you will even marry that individual! So let's us say that Sally and Rob are dating. Few months later, they break up. Then Sally gets married to John. John finds out that Sally had an Ex-boyfriend and therefore, she had been *used*. From the perspective of a man, you would feel weird as hell when marrying a girl that already committed adultery with some dude you don't even know...
4. It can lead to rape; those are the words of your statistics, not me; 'Date Rape'.

There are actually a million examples, but like I said earlier, I am really tired. So I'll end this with a quote from the Qur'an:

**And if you could see when the angels take away the souls of those who disbelieve (at death), they smite their faces and their backs, (saying): "*Taste the punishment of the blazing Fire!*" (8:50)**

Indeed Allah (The Most High) Speaks the Truth!  
take care,  
Samir

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## The Tsunami

Without a doubt, was the Tsunami a form of Allah (The Most High) communicating to the world, His unmatched power. Many people are grappling on how to view the recent Tsunami from a religious perspective, even within the Muslim community. I'll share with you one view, which is a dominant view amongst the Muslim Scholars of today. The

following article is written by a scholar I personally know of, so I can trust his words :)

Oh and by the way, if you are a non-Muslim and are about to read this, you might feel a bit weird because he is addressing religious Muslims here... Also, I don't necessarily agree with all of his views, but that's a very minor issue; I agree with mostly everything he says.

On a final note, you will notice he keeps referring back to his book, "Jerusalem in the Qur'an." If you are interested in reading this, you can ask me for it. Have fun :)

Samir

### **Ten Major Signs of the Last Day HAS ONE JUST OCCURRED?**

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#### **• LAST DAY MEANS LAST AGE**

The term 'Last Day' in Islam really stands for the 'Last Age', or the age which would culminate with the end of history -- when the true Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary (not son of God), would return to rule the world from Jerusalem with justice and 'eternal' rule. It would be 'eternal' in the sense that history would end with that event. Life on earth beyond that event, and after Jesus (s) dies a human death and is buried next to Prophet Muhammad (s) in Madina, would not qualify as history. This would be so since the modern secular rope would have reached its predictable end in total godlessness and with such a consequent collapse of morals, and of moral consciousness, that people would forget their human status and "would engage in sexual intercourse in public like donkeys". Already it is quite clear (particularly at the time of Trinidad Carnival) that we are quite close to the fulfillment of that prophecy made by Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him and upon all other prophets). So much so, then, for the spurious claims of the one-eyed modern white western civilization and its colored 'house slaves' around the world, that mankind is witnessing unprecedented progress, that the present is the best of all ages, that the world keeps on growing better and better, and that modern white western civilization has rendered all previous civilizations, including Islam, moribund and obsolete.

Prophet Muhammad (s) prophesied many more signs of the Last Day other than public roadside 'donkey sex'. Most of these signs are known as the 'minor' signs. Let us describe some of them (randomly selected) before we turn to the ten 'major' signs in which we venture to include the recent major underwater earthquake and resultant Tsunami in South East Asia.

### • MINOR SIGNS

Prophet Muhammad (s) prophesied of the Last Age that:

q "People would follow a way of life other than mine and give guidance other than mine" . . . . "I fear for my people only the leaders who lead men astray" . . . . "Before the Last Hour there will be great liars, so beware of them" . . . . "When the most wicked member of a tribe becomes its ruler, and the most worthless member of a community becomes its leader, and a man is respected through fear of the evil he may do, and leadership is given to people who are unworthy of it, expect the Last Hour", – all of these warnings have already been dramatically and ominously fulfilled in the world, as well as in the community of Muslims, even here in Trinidad!

q Women would arrange their hair to look like the hump of a camel, - and that has already occurred;

q Women would dress like men, - and we already see them today with trousers, jacket and, perhaps, a tie;

q Men would dress like women, - and already no one can tell that 'she' is really a man;

q Homosexuality (and lesbianism) would become commonplace, - and that is now happening before our very eyes; indeed those who hold fast to the divine prohibition of such sexual perversion are now demonized as a people who suffer from a disease called homophobia;

q Children born outside of marriage would become commonplace, - in fact marriage itself now seems destined to become obsolete;

q Fornication and adultery would become commonplace, - that, also, appears to have already been fulfilled in a modern world in which virginity and marital fidelity are becoming old-fashioned;

q Disproportion in balance of men and women to such an extent that one man would have to maintain (not marry) fifty women, - that is yet to occur but could be linked to the impact on male sperm production of such things as environmental pollution and genetically modified food;

q Universal consumption of alcoholic beverages, - that has already become a veritable plague,

q Religious knowledge disappears, - since the rightly-guided scholars of Islam are demonized, marginalized, banned, or declared to be great security risks. Only those scholars who can skillfully skip and dance to the tunes of those who control power in the world are allowed the unfettered freedom to travel and to preach a sanitized cosmetic version of Islam acceptable to the unholy triple alliance of Britain ('a day like a year'), America ('a day like a month') and Israel ('a day like a week'), and their equally unholy clients in Islamabad, Cairo, Riyadh, etc.;

q Time would move swiftly - a year passing like a month - a month like a week - a week like a day etc., - and already the perception of swiftly moving time is a universal experience;

q Such prevalence of random killing, murder and violence that a killer would not know why he is killing and the one who is killed would not know why he is being killed, and every age is followed by one which is worse, - already around the world senseless random killing has already arrived and is constantly escalating;

q Nothing would remain of Islam but the name, and nothing would remain of the Qur'an but the traces (of its writing) (i.e., the Qur'an would not be studied, no one would follow its guidance, it would be recited mechanically etc.); the Masajid (mosques) would be grand structures but would be devoid of guidance; and the ulama (religious scholars of Islam who represent such people) would be the worst people beneath the sky. From them would emerge Fitnah (trials) and they would be the centers of Fitnah (since they betray Islam); - there are many distinguished scholars of Islam who declare that this sign has today found fulfillment.

q Prevalence of Riba (i.e, money lent on interest, and transactions which 'rip off' people through deception in business, etc.) Around the world today Riba in modern banking and insurance has already taken total control over the market and over economic life.



There are some minor signs which have been couched in enigmatic language such as,

q 'A slave woman would give birth to her mistress', - made possible through a combination of Riba and the modern feminist revolution, and

q 'Naked barefooted shepherds would vie with one another in the construction of high-rise buildings', - made possible when vast unearned wealth suddenly descends upon a hitherto poor (Arab?) people who now hanker for visible symbols of their status in a modern world which recognizes the rich as a 'somebody' and the poor as a 'nobody' (see story of the rich man and the poor man in Surah al-Kahf of the Qur'an).

And then there are minor signs which have not as yet occurred such as:

Ø "The Last Hour would not come until there issues from the land of the Hejaz (which is in Saudi Arabia) a fire which will illuminate the backs of the camels in Busra", - and this, perhaps, anticipates a nuclear attack on a Saudi Air Force base in Tabuk, perhaps, which would formally launch Israel into the club of nuclear powers.

So many of these minor Signs of the Last Day, and so many more not here mentioned, have already occurred, that we can now turn to the major Signs with a clear recognition that we are already living in that last age.

#### • MAJOR SIGNS

Hudhayfah ibn Usayd Ghifari, the companion of the Prophet, said, "Allah's Messenger came to us all of a sudden as we were (busy in a discussion). He asked: What are you discussing? (The Companions) replied: We are discussing (the subject of) the Last Hour. Thereupon he said: It will not come until you see ten signs, and (in this connection) he made a mention of the Smoke, Dajjal, the Beast, the Rising of the Sun from the West, the Descent of Jesus son of Mary, Gog and Magog, Earthquakes in three places, one in the East, one in the West and one in Arabia at the end of which Fire would burn forth from Yemen, and would drive people to the place of their assembly (i.e., the place where mankind will be assembled for judgment)." Sahih Muslim

Here, then, are the ten major Signs of the Last Day as prophesied by Prophet Muhammad (s):

1. DAJJAL – THE FALSE MESSIAH OR ANTICHRIST,
2. GOG AND MAGOG,
3. SMOKE,
4. THE BEAST OF THE EARTH (or Land),
5. THE SUN WOULD RISE FROM THE WEST,
6. THREE (BIG) EARTHQUAKES – ONE IN THE EAST,
7. ONE IN THE WEST, AND
8. ONE IN ARABIA,
9. A FIRE WOULD COME OUT OF YEMEN AND WOULD DRIVE PEOPLE TO THEIR PLACE OF ASSEMBLY (i.e., to the plain of Arafat where mankind would be assembled for judgment),
10. THE DESCENT OF THE SON OF MARY.

Although these signs were not given by the blessed Prophet (s) in their chronological order of occurrence I have made an effort to put them in that order, with the ones that have not as yet occurred at the bottom of the list. How did I arrive at the above order? Well, we know from the prophécies of the blessed Prophet that the third major earthquake, i.e., the one that would occur in Arabia, would swallow an army that would be heading south to Makkah to attack Imam al-Mahdi, the descendent of Prophet Muhammad who, it was prophesied, would restore the Islamic Caliphate (or Islamic model of a State) in the Arabian peninsular. It is after that sign has occurred (i.e., the third major earthquake) that the son of Mary would descend from the sky with his hands resting on the wings of two angels, and would kill Dajjal the False Messiah or Anti-Christ. And since the Qur'an itself has described Jesus (i.e., the return of Jesus) as the 'ilm (which here means the very heart and seal of the subject) of the Last Hour (Qur'an, Zukhruf, 43:61), it follows that his return must come chronologically at the end of the list. We also know that the 'fire' from Yemen would follow the third earthquake. And so now that it appears that the major earthquake in the East has occurred, we await four more major signs that still remain to occur, i.e. the major earthquake in the West, the major earthquake in Arabia, the fire that would come out of Yemen, and the return of the Messiah, Jesus the son of Mary. The major earthquakes are therefore meant to herald that momentous event of all events when the Messiah, Jesus the son of Mary, would return. When did the first six 'major' signs occur?

#### Ø DAJJAL

I have argued in my book, 'Jerusalem in the Qur'an – An Islamic View of the Destiny of Jerusalem' that Dajjal the

False Messiah or Antichrist was released into the world in the lifetime of Prophet Muhammad (s). He has already completed the first stage of his mission that lasted for 'a day like a year', and is about to complete the second stage that lasts for 'a day like a month'. The third and last stage of his mission (of impersonation of the true Messiah) that would last for just 'a day like a week' would commence when Israel replaces USA as the Ruling State of the world. And that would occur when Israel wages her big war that would result in the dramatic territorial expansion of the State 'from the river of Egypt to the river Euphrates'. Israel would then seize control of the Suez Canal and all the oil of the Arabian Gulf. By the end of that third stage the Antichrist would have been born into the world of Jewish parents, would have risen to become ruler of Israel and, hence, would have completed his mission to rule the world from Jerusalem. And Allah Knows best! An entire chapter of the book is devoted to explaining the subject of Dajjal.

### Ø GOG AND MAGOG

I have also argued in my book that Gog and Magog were released into the world in the lifetime of Prophet Muhammad (s). The Qur'an itself has made mention (Qur'an, the Prophets, 21:94-5) of a 'town' which was destroyed by Allah Most High, and the people of the town expelled, and then banned from returning to reclaim their town until Gog and Magog were not only released but, also, had spread out in all directions. I located that 'town' to be Jerusalem. And since the Jews have already returned to Jerusalem to reclaim it as their own, it follows that Gog and Magog, like Dajjal, are also close to the end of their mission. And Allah Knows best! Another entire chapter of the book is devoted to explaining the subject of Gog and Magog.

### Ø SMOKE

This appears to be the environmental pollution that is already wreaking havoc on the earth itself and is bringing about global warming with the consequent impact on earthquakes, hurricanes, flooding etc. The modern industrial economy appears to be the greatest culprit of environmental pollution in the world today. In other words we, mankind, are ourselves the creators of the Smoke which spawns massive earthquakes, tsunamis, etc., and eventually brings about the death of the earth. And Allah Knows best!

However, it is important that we note that there are several Ahadith in Sahih Bukhari which declare that the sign of 'Smoke' already appeared in the lifetime of the blessed Prophet.

### **Ø THE BEAST OF THE EARTH**

I have argued in 'Jerusalem in the Qur'an' that the word 'earth' is sometimes used in the scriptures as synonymous with the word 'land', and the term 'land', when used in the context of the signs of the last age, stands almost invariably for 'Holy Land'. In consequence of this I have argued in my book that the 'Beast of the Earth' is, in fact, the imposter State of Israel that now occupies the Holy Land. The learned Shaikh, Safar al-Hawali, holds the view that the 'Beast' is the Zionist Movement. And Allah Knows best!

### **Ø THE SUN WOULD RISE FROM THE WEST**

Those who interpret this sign literally assume that the order of nature would be reversed despite the Qur'anic declaration that there can be no change in Allah's creation (of that natural order) (Qur'an, Rum, 30:30), and despite the specific declaration of Prophet Abraham (s) that his Lord-God causes the sun to rise from the East. Abraham then proceeded to challenge the King to cause the sun to rise from the West if he possessed power greater than Allah's. (Qur'an, al-Baqarah, 2:258) And so they await that western sunrise as an event that would literally occur, while ignoring the basic rule that no Hadith can contradict the Qur'an. But this sign has provoked numerous other non-literal interpretations, all of which agree that it has already occurred. Our view is that the rising of the sun from the West symbolizes an upside-down world in which mankind is led by their noses to a way of life which would be the very opposite of that natural way ordained by Allah. That upside-down unnatural way of life has already embraced most of mankind. In this sense, therefore, the sun is already rising from the West. And Allah Knows best!

### **THREE EARTHQUAKES**

Prophet Muhammad (s) has prophesied three major earthquakes that would herald the return of the Messiah, the son of Mary, and Messenger of Allah Most High. One would occur in the East, the second in the West, and the third in

Arabia. When the third one takes place, the world of Islam would suddenly and dazzlingly reenter the affairs of the Arabian peninsular, as well as of the world, in the same revolutionary way that it did in the lifetime of Prophet Muhammad (s). This appears to be the meaning of the last of the major signs (prior to the return of Jesus) mentioned by the Prophet (s), i.e., that a fire would come out of Yemen and drive people to their place of assembly.

### Ø THE EARTHQUAKE IN THE EAST

I believe that the recent massive earthquake and resultant tsunami in SE Asia which has claimed many more than 100,000 lives, is the earthquake of the East mentioned by Prophet Muhammad (s) in the ten major Signs of the Last Day, and thus the first of three such earthquakes heralding the return of Jesus (s). I came to this conclusion because of the following reasons:

Firstly, the prophecy of the blessed Prophet is that a 'khasf' would occur in the East, i.e., the earth sinks down or caves in. A 'Tsunami' is defined as a sea wave of local or distant origin that results from large-scale seafloor displacements associated with large earthquakes, major submarine slides, or exploding volcanic islands. Since this recent displacement of the earth occurred under the sea, and consequently resulted in the massive Tsunamis, it ensured that those who have maliciously concealed the Truth time and again in history could not conceal this major Sign of the Last Day. The magnitude of the event, i.e., the severity of the earthquake (9 on the Richter scale) and, more importantly, the massive damage already done and still unfolding, makes it absolutely unique for mankind today.

Secondly, I am impressed by the location of the event, - it occurred in that East which is clearly East of Madina.

Thirdly, I would like to direct attention to the time that it occurred, i.e., after the liberation of the Holy Land (1917), and return of the Jews to reclaim the Holy Land as their own (1918-1948), the restoration of a State of Israel in the Holy Land (1948), the growth of Israel to become a superpower in the world (i.e., the present), and at precisely that time when Israel is about to wage her big war of massive territorial expansion after which Israel would replace USA as the Ruling State in the world. It has also occurred at that time when the prophecy of the Prophet concerning the abandonment of the Hajj is about to be fulfilled – since the

Hajj would henceforth pose a gigantic security threat to the present Saudi ruling elite whenever Israel wages that big war and assumes the rule over the world. And it has occurred at just that time when the US dollar has begun its irreversible decline that is to culminate in its collapse. That would then bring down all the paper-money in the world and electronic money controlled by the Jewish-controlled banking system would then control all the money in the money-system of the world.

This momentous Sign in the East that has just occurred appears, therefore, to be a sign to mankind warning that monstrously dangerous change in the world is about to occur. But it also appears to be the first of the three major earthquakes heralding the return of the Messiah, Jesus the son of Mary, the Messenger of Allah Most High

### Ø THE SECOND EARTHQUAKE IN THE WEST

When a second massive earthquake (with a sinking down, caving in, or displacement of the earth) eventually occurs in the West, after the recent one in the East, that would further confirm the analysis presented in this essay. All that would then remain to occur for Jesus to descend from the clouds would be the third earthquake in Arabia that would swallow an entire army, and the fire that would come out of Yemen. We are so close to that event that we can already feel the heat of that fire. My book, 'Jerusalem in the Qur'an', explains the subject.

Although what appears to be the first of the three major earthquakes occurred underwater and resulted in the massive tsunamis in South East Asia, it is not necessary that the second, that would occur in the West, would be similar. After all, we know that the third and last major earthquake would have its epicenter on land just north of Makkah in Arabia. And so the West must remain in a state of agonizing suspense.

### Ø THE THIRD EARTHQUAKE IN ARABIA

Narrated Aisha: Allah's Apostle said, "An army will invade the Ka'ba and when the invaders reach Al-Baida', all the ground will sink and swallow the whole army." I said, "O Allah's Apostle! How will they sink into the ground while amongst them will be their markets (the people who worked in business and not invaders) and the people not belonging to them?" The Prophet replied, "all of those people will sink but they will be resurrected and judged according to their intentions."

(Sahih al-Bukhari)

"Narrated Umm Salamah, Ummul Mu'minin: The Prophet said: Disagreement will occur at the death of a caliph and a man of the people of Madina will come flying forth to Makkah. Some of the people of Makkah will come to him, bring him out against his will and swear allegiance to him between the Corner and the Maqam. An expeditionary force will then be sent against him from Syria but will be swallowed up in the desert between Makkah and Madina . . ."

(Sunan Abu Daud)

It is quite clear from the above prophecy of Prophet Muhammad (s) that the third earthquake would take place at the time of the advent of Imam al-Mahdi. But the Imam cannot emerge to liberate the Arabian heartland of Islam from Anglo-American-Israeli hegemony, and to restore Dar al-Islam, or the authentic Islamic model of a public order, until Dajjal the False Messiah or Anti-Christ has successfully completed his mission of impersonating the true Messiah, and hence until Israel has become the Ruling State in the world and has ruled the world for 'a day like a week'. And so there is quite some time left (maybe as much as 40-50 years) before that third earthquake takes place and the moment finally arrives for the last of the signs of the Last Day to occur, i.e., the descent of the true Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary. And Allah knows best!

### Ø THE RETURN OF JESUS


Prophet Muhammad (s) has spoken extensively and in minute details about the event of the return of Jesus (s). But that event is so rich and complex that it lies beyond the scope of this paper. However, my book, 'Jerusalem in the Qur'an' has dealt with the subject in some detail, and it is to that book that I now refer the gentle reader.

### Ø ONE FINAL WORD

The destiny of Jerusalem is such as to give to Muslims the greatest confidence and hope that Truth will triumph over falsehood and oppression. 'Jerusalem in the Qur'an' was written for precisely this purpose -- to explain to Muslims the strange world in which we live today. It is a world in which the cause of Islam appears to be a lost cause. But having read the book the reader would know, if he or she had not already known it, that the reality is quite different. When they know for certain that it is the destiny of Jerusalem to give a spectacular validation of Islam's claim to truth,

Muslims should be able to summon the strength to resist the present war on Islam in which the godless world is making the greatest possible effort to destroy their faith in Allah Most High.

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## Next 10-15 on Sociology

I'm going to dedicate the next 10-15 posts on Sociology for my Introduction to Sociology class that I'm taking at College. It will consist of my thoughts and reactions in regards to different subjects within Sociology. I think everyone will find this very interesting.

Take Care,  
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## Intellectual discussion & article on US banning alcohol

Assalam Alaikum,

I decided to continue this blog because people are actually reading it to my surprise. So, once in a while, I will throw out

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my thoughts, and most of the time, I will put some [intelligent] articles here. My more active blog is my xanga: [www.xanga.com/inshALLAHshaheed](http://www.xanga.com/inshALLAHshaheed)

## **The US cannot ban alcohol without purifying the nation**

by Samir Khan

The US tried banning alcohol in its own Country a while ago. It was a million dollar project. The people rebelled, which resulted in violence, and the increase in alcohol consumption. **Why did the US fail in their ban of alcohol when Muhammad succeeded in banning alcohol?**

1. The Sahabas were spiritually and mentally prepared. When the ban on alcohol commenced, they didn't need to use any money to enforce the law because the people were willing to accept it. Before its commencement, the Sahabas drank alcohol; it wasn't forbidden until later after the hijrah.
2. Aisha (ra) said that if the first verse of the Qur'an were to be on the ban of alcohol, the people would have rejected it. If the first verse of the Qur'an were to be on the ban of zina, the people would have rejected it. Why? Because they were not spiritual molded into obedient slaves of the Creator at the very beginning. The first ayaat were from Surah al-'Alaq which advised man on the Glory-ness of Allah and to appreciate His status; this opened the eyes of those who accepted. If the first ayaat were on the prohibition of a certain act, there would have been a different response in society.
3. When the ayah on the banning of alcohol arrived, the word spread and the Sahaba threw away their alcohol, spat it

out, and even forced themselves to vomit all the alcohol out. The streets of Medina were flowing of alcohol that day.

4. The Sahaba didn't need a police force to stop the consumption of alcohol, unlike the US. The Sahaba were ready to face any law which might be seen as a hardship in the eyes of those who were not as prepared as the Sahaba.

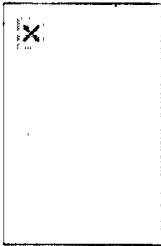
5. The first thing the Sahaba were taught was not the ban of alcohol or the commands of the Qur'an, but they were taught about the reality of this life as well as paradise and hellfire. This would instill into their hearts the accurate way to view this life; they lived, and preached these truths. So when the ban of alcohol came, it was trouble-free to apply.

6. The outlawing of alcohol came gradually. There were minor bans such as the command to not pray salah while intoxicated. Note that this was not an absolute ban on alcohol. This is one of the realistic methods of achievable morality which led to their implementation of the law to not drink alcohol.

### **So what does the US have to do in order to ban alcohol?**

1. The US has to instill into the minds and hearts of the Americans the purpose of life, paradise, and hellfire. All effective means should be exhausted in order to emphasize the ideology whether it is through media, magazines, books, libraries, movies, public rallies for a moral society, internet, videogames, other laws, and so on.

2. Since we are not at the level to challenge the US on alcohol, the Islamic movements today should work tirelessly in purifying the people of this nation. That is, giving the



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nation the paramount way of thinking and viewing the life of this world. They should exhaust all the means of propagating this message as well as living this message. This is part of the bottom-up approach to establishing the Kingdom of Allah on earth. There is a good chance that this might lead to the polarization of society where for example: one will be embarrassed to drink alcohol in public.

3. The members of the various Islamic movements have to be Sahaba-like. This is not an option otherwise this propagation will be useless as the society will question the groups claim to understanding salvation and practicing its pre-requisites. Islamic movements cannot be battling the dominant culture whilst simultaneously accepting it; a counter-culture is not a subculture.

4. After the US government recognizes what the Islamic movement's methods and motives are, the government should support them. The least they can do is provide financial assistance.

5. There were no incentives for the Americans in forbidding themselves from drinking alcohol. When there is no concept of ultimate reward and ultimate punishment, then the people will do as they wish and chaos will be prevalent in the land. This is why a lot of Americans ridicule those Countries that have lesser freedoms. The issue is not about having the most freedom, but the main concern is about controlling society from going out of control. So the American government has to produce an incentive for the public in order to come to reason with the souls of the inhabitants. The underlying motivational factor for the Sahaba was belief in Paradise and Hellfire. They worried that if they sinned, there would then be a chance that the punishment of Allah would be upon them. At the same time, they knew that if

they kept up their righteous acts, there would be a chance that they would be rewarded with the eternal prize. They lived a life where they accepted a trade with Allah in that if they sold themselves for His sake wholly and solely, then He would grant them Paradise in return (9:111). This is what made the Sahaba's known as Sahaba's.

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## Who is Dr. Israr Ahmad?



**Dr. Israr Ahmad**

(Lecture at Khilafah Conference 1994, Wembley Hall, London)

The Founder of Tanzeem-e-Islami Dr. Israr Ahmad is a well-known figure in Pakistan, the Middle East, and North America for his efforts in drawing the attention of Muslims in general and their educated classes in particular towards the teachings and wisdom of the Holy Qur'an. As

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against the detached, cool, and sterile academicism of many contemporary Muslim scholars, Dr. Israr Ahmad firmly believes in the methodology of "reflection-through-action" which he thinks is amply supported by a verse of the Holy Qur'an:

As for those who strive in Us, We surely guide them to Our paths (Al-Ankabut 29:69)

Dr. Israr Ahmad, was born on April 26, 1932 in Hisar (a district of East Punjab, now a part of Haryana State) in India. He graduated from King Edward Medical College (Lahore) in 1954 and later received his masters in Islamic Studies from the University of Karachi in 1965. He came under the influence of Allama Iqbal and Maulana Maududi as a young student, worked briefly for Muslim Student's Federation in the Independence Movement and, following the creation of Pakistan in 1947, for the Islami Jami'yat-e-Talaba and then for the Jama'at-e-Islami. Dr. Israr Ahmad resigned from the Jama'at in April 1957 because of its involvement in the electoral politics, which he believed was irreconcilable with the revolutionary methodology adopted by the Jama'at in the pre-1947 period.



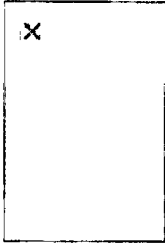
While still a student and an activist of the Islami Jami'yat-e-Talaba, Dr. Israr Ahmad gained considerable fame and eminence as a Mudarris (or teacher) of the Holy Qur'an. Even after resigning from the Jama'at, he continued to give Qur'anic lectures in different cities of Pakistan, and especially after 1965 he has, according to his own disclosure, invested the better part of his physical and intellectual

abilities in the learning and teaching of the Qur'anic wisdom. Dr. Israr Ahmad wrote an extremely significant tract in 1967 in which he explained his basic thought that an Islamic Renaissance is possible only by revitalizing the Iman (true faith and certitude) among the Muslims, particularly their intelligentsia. The revitalization of Iman, in turn, is possible only by the propagation of the Qur'anic teachings and presenting the everlasting wisdom of the Book of Allah (SWT) in contemporary idiom and at the highest level of scholarship. This undertaking is essential in order to remove the existing dichotomy between modern physical and social sciences on the one hand and the knowledge revealed by Almighty Allah (SWT) on the other. This tract is available in English as *Islamic Renaissance: The Real Task Ahead*. Dr. Israr Ahmad gave up his thriving medical practice in 1971 in order to launch a full-fledged and vigorous movement for the revival of Islam. As a result of his efforts, the Markazi Anjuman Khuddam-ul-Qur'an Lahore was established in 1972, Tanzeem-e-Islami was founded in 1975, and Tahreek-e-Khilafat Pakistan was launched in 1991.



Dr. Israr Ahmad first appeared on Pakistan Television in 1978 in a program called *Al-Kitab*; this was followed by other programs, known as *Alif Lam Meem*, *Rasool-e-Kamil*, *Umm-ul-Kitab* and the most popular of all religious programs in the history of Pakistan Television the *Al-Huda* which made





him a household name throughout the country. Although he did not like to receive it personally, Dr. Israr Ahmad was awarded Sitara-e-Imtiaz in 1981. He has to his credit over 60 Urdu books on topics related to Islam and Pakistan, 9 of which have been translated into English.

In the context of Qur'anic exegesis and understanding, Dr. Israr Ahmad is a firm traditionalist of the genre of Maulana Mehmood Hassan Deobandi and Allama Shabeer Ahmad Usmani; yet he presents Qur'anic teachings in a scientific and enlightened way, being also a disciple of Allama Iqbal and Dr. Muhammad Rafiuddin, and also because of his own background in science and medicine. Concerning the internal coherence of and the principles of deep reflection in the Qur'an, he has essentially followed the thinking of Maulana Hameed Uddin Farahi and Maulana Ameen Ahsan Islahi, though even here he has further developed their line of argument. Dr. Israr Ahmad believes in a dynamic and revolutionary conception of Islam, and in this regard he is a disciple of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad and Maulana Sayyid Abul A`la Maududi.

For the last forty years or so, Dr. Israr Ahmad has been actively engaged not only in reviving the Qur'an-centered Islamic perennial philosophy and world-view but also reforming the society in a practical way with the ultimate objective of establishing a true Islamic State, or the System of Khilafah. He has widely traveled abroad and the audio and video tapes of his Qur'anic discourses in Urdu and English languages have circulated in thousands throughout the world.

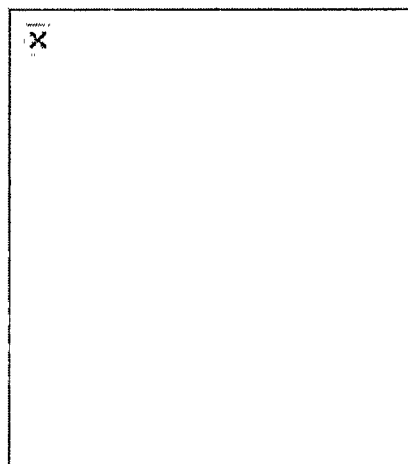
A master's thesis, entitled Dr. Israr Ahmad's Political Thought and Activities, was written by Ms. Shagufta Ahmad in the Islamic Studies department of Canada's Mac Gill University. This thesis is available from Markazi Anjuman Khuddam-ul-Qur'an Lahore.



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## Who is Sayyid Qutb?



**Sayyid Qutb** (9 October 1906 in Musha – executed on 29 August 1966) was an important theoretician of the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood.

Alternative spellings of his "first" and "last" names include *Syed*, *Koteb* (rather common), *Qutub*, etc. Arabic: سيد قطب

He first received a religious education; in 1920, he moved to Cairo, where he received a Western education between 1929 and 1933, before starting his career as a teacher in the Ministry of Public Instruction. During his early career, Qutb devoted himself to literature as an author and critic, writing such novels as *Ashwak* (*Thorns*) and even elevating Egyptian novelist Naguib Mahfouz from obscurity. In 1939, he became a functionary in Egypt's Ministry of Education (*wizarat al-ma'arif*); from 1948 to 1950, he went to the United States on a scholarship to study the educational system, receiving a master's degree from the Colorado State College of Education (now the University of Northern Colorado). Qutb's first major theoretical work of

religious social criticism, *Al-'adala al-Ijtima'iyya fi-l-Islam (Social Justice in Islam)*, was published in 1949, during his time overseas.

The perceived racism, materialism, and 'loose' sexual conduct that he saw in the United States is believed by some to have been the impetus for his rejection of Western values and his move towards radicalism upon returning to Egypt. Resigning from the civil service he became perhaps the most persuasive publicist of the Muslim Brotherhood. The school of thought he inspired has become known as Qutbism.

The Muslim Brotherhood, and Qutb in particular, enjoyed a close relationship with the Free Officers Movement in the time leading up to and following the coup of June 1952. But their early cooperation soon soured over such issues as the Free Officers' refusal to hold elections, to ban alcohol, or to take a hard line against the British presence in Egypt.

After the attempted assassination of Gamal Abdel Nasser in 1954, the Egyptian government cracked down on the Muslim Brotherhood, imprisoning Qutb along with many others. While in prison, Qutb wrote his two most important works: a commentary of the Qur'an *Fi zilal al-Qur'an (In the Shade of the Quran)*, and a manifesto of political Islam called *Ma'alim fi-l-Tariq (Milestones)*.

His commentary on the Qur'an has been extremely influential; some see him as the central theorist of twentieth-century Islamism. There is anecdotal evidence that Sayyid Qutb and Shaykh Taqi-ud-deen an-Nabhani founder of Hizb-ut-Tahrir, influenced each other. According to Daniel Benjamin and Steven Simon, "In a century in which some of the most important writing came out of prisons, Qutb, for better or for worse, is the Islamic world's answer to Solzhenitsyn, Sartre, and Havel, and he easily ranks with all of them in influence. It was Sayyid Qutb who fused together the core elements of modern Islamism.... Qutb concluded that the unity of God and His sovereignty meant that human rule – government legislates its own behavior – is illegitimate.

Muslims must answer to God alone." [Daniel Benjamin and Steven Simon, *The Age of Sacred Terror: Radical Islam's War Against America* (New York: Random House, 2002) p. 62] ISBN 0812969847. This point is central to most modern Islamists, in their assertion that all forms of governance over Muslims are illegitimate except the Islamic state Khilafah.

One of Qutb's main ideas was applying the term Jahiliyya, which originally referred to humanity's state of ignorance before the revelation of Islam, to modern-day Muslim societies. In his view, turning away from Islamic law and Islamic values under the influence of European imperialism had left the Muslim world in a condition of debased ignorance, similar to that of the pre-Islamic era (or Jahiliyya).

The conditions he experienced in prison, it has been argued, pushed Qutb to the conclusion that the Egyptian state was totally illegitimate. Violence against the inmates was commonplace. Sometimes this took the form of torture, but it once climaxed in the murder of 23 Muslim Brothers and the wounding of 46 after a protest in which they refused to perform hard labor. This incident, according to some, transformed Qutb's view of the Nasser government, which he considered to be unparalleled in its cruelty. His radicalization culminated in a little book published in 1964 which was based on the ideas he had written in notes and letters during his time in prison. This is the famous *Ma'alim fi-l-Tariq*.

Qutb was let out of prison at the end of 1964 at the behest of the then Prime Minister of Iraq, Abdul Salam Arif, for only 8 months before being rearrested in August 1965. He was accused of plotting to overthrow the state and subjected to what some consider a show trial which culminated in a death sentence for him and six other members of the Muslim Brotherhood. On 29 August 1966, Sayyid Qutb was executed by hanging.

His brother, Muhammad Qutb, moved to Saudi Arabia where he

became a Professor of Islamic Studies. One of Muhammad Qutb's students and ardent followers was Ayman Zawahiri, who was to become the mentor of Osama bin Laden.

#### Literary works:

- *Mahammad ash-Sha'ir fi-l-hayat wa-shi'r al-jil al-hadir*, 1933
- *ash-Shati al-majhul*, 1935
- *al-Taswir al-Fanni fi-l-Qu'ran* (Artistic Representation in the Qur'an), 1944/45
- *Tifl min al-qarya* (A Child from the Village -- an autobiographical work), 1946

#### Theoretical works:

- *Al-'adala al-Ijtima'iyya fi-l-Islam* (Social Justice in Islam), 1949, his first theoretical work
- *Fi zilal al-Qur'an* (In the Shade of the Qur'an), 1954, commentary of the Qur'an in 30 volumes, his most important theoretical work. In 1960, a revised edition started to appear which was to remain uncompleted; the last volume appeared in 1964. The commentary is interesting in so far as it is rather innovative in its methodical approach, borrowing heavily from the method of literary interpretation developed by Amin al-Khuli, while retaining some structural features of classical commentaries (for example, the principle of progressing from the first sura to the last).
- *Ma'alim fi-l-Tariq* (Signposts on the Road, or Milestones), 1964, Qutb's best known work, regarded by some as "in many ways mark the beginnings of modern political Islam"

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- Qur'an
- Shari'a
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## Liberal movements within Islam

### REFORM, NOT SCHISM

It should be noted that these are movements *within* Islam, rather than an attempt at schism. As such, they believe in the basic tenets of Islam, such as the Six Elements of Belief and the Five Pillars of Islam. They consider their views to be fully compatible with the teachings of Islam. Their main difference with more conservative Islamic opinion is in differences of *interpretation* of how to apply the core Islamic values to modern life.

It should be further noted that the liberal Muslim's focus on individual interpretation and ethics, rather than on the literal word of scripture, may have an antecedent in the Sufi tradition of Islamic mysticism.

## CONTEMPORARY AND CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES

Over the course of the 19th and 20th centuries, in accordance with their increasingly modern societies and outlooks, liberal Muslims have tended to reinterpret many aspects of their religion. This is particularly true of Muslims who now find themselves living in non-Muslim countries. Such people may describe themselves variously as liberal, progressive or reformist; but rather than implying a specific agenda, these terms tend to incorporate a broad spectrum of views which contest medievalist and traditional interpretations of Islam in many different ways. Although there is no full consensus amongst liberal Muslims on their views, they tend to agree on some or all of the following beliefs:

- Most liberal Muslims consider Islam's notion of absolute equality of all humanity to be one of its central concepts. Human rights is thus a major concern for most liberals. Many Muslim majority countries have signed international human rights treaties, but the impact of these largely remains to be seen in local legal systems. The Qur'anic story of Adam is sometimes interpreted to support human rights.
- Feminism is likewise a major issue. For this reason, liberal Muslims are often critical of traditional Islamic laws which allow polygamy for men but not women. It is also accepted by most liberal Muslims that a woman may lead the state, and that women should not be segregated from men in society or in mosques. Many liberal Muslims accept that a woman may lead group prayers, despite the custom for women to pray behind or in a balcony, able to see men but not be seen themselves. However, this issue remains controversial; see Women as imams. Some Muslim feminists are also opposed to the traditional requirements of the veil (commonly called hijab), claiming that any modest clothing is sufficiently Islamic for both men and women.
- Many liberal Muslims favor the idea of modern democracy

with separation of church and state, and thus support secular governments. The existence or applicability of Islamic law is thus questioned by liberals. Their argument often involves variants of the Mu'tazili theory that the Qur'an is created by God for the particular circumstances of the early Muslim community, and reason must be used to apply it to new contexts.

- This means that liberal Muslims often drop traditional interpretations of the Qur'an which they find too conservative, preferring instead readings which are more adaptable to modern society. Most liberal Muslims reject derivation of Islamic laws from literal readings of single Qur'anic verses. They generally claim that a holistic view which takes into account the 7th century Arabian cultural context negates such literal interpretations. For example, some liberals may tolerate homosexuality even though conservatives forbid it. However, this topic remains highly controversial even amongst Muslim liberals; see Islamic views of homosexuality.
- The reliability and applicability of Hadith literature is questioned by liberals, as much of traditional Islamic law derives from it.
- Most liberal Muslims consequently do not believe in the authority of traditional scholars to issue a fatwa, since they generally favour the individual's ability to interpret Islamic sacred texts on their own.
- Tolerance is another major issue. Liberal Muslims are generally open to interfaith dialogue and differences, particularly in the case of the Ahmadi and other controversies with Jews, Christians, Hindus, etc.
- Liberal Muslims also tend to oppose the idea of jihad as armed struggle, and tend to prefer ideals such as non-violence. The Qur'anic figure of Abel seems to support the idea that anyone who dies as a result of refusing to commit violence is forgiven of their sins.
- Liberal Muslims tend to be skeptical about the validity of Islamization of knowledge (including Islamic economics, Islamic science and Islamic philosophy) as separate from mainstream fields of enquiry. This is usually due to the often secular outlook of Muslim liberals, which makes them more disposed to trust mainstream secular scholarship. They may also regard the propagation of these fields as merely a propaganda move by Muslim conservatives.
- Liberals are also less likely to treat Qur'anic narratives of Adam, Noah, Abraham, Jesus and other prophets of Islam as historical fact. Instead some liberals view these as moral stories meant to reinforce the ethical message of Islam. Such liberals tend to accept scientific ideas such as evolution and secular history, and are generally opposed to the idea of



Islamic history.

## IN NORTH AMERICA

The launch of the Progressive Muslim Union of North America (<http://www.pmuna.org/>) (PMUNA) in October 2004 exposed fissures within the liberal and progressive movements. On the one hand, PMUNA has come under fire from Muslims on the left; they tended to believe the organization failed to sufficiently distance itself from a U.S.-centric and neoconservative-inspired imperialist agenda, which seeks to define an "acceptable" Muslim as a liberal, pro-American and uncritical of Israel. On the other progressive Muslims with more traditional leanings criticize links between PMUNA and the controversial Muslim Wake Up! (<http://www.muslimwakeup.com/>) website, which supported the French hijab ban and carries articles hostile to the conservative Muslim perspective.

These differences came to head in March 2005, when PMUNA/MWU sponsored a mixed-gender Jummah led by a woman, Professor Amina Wadud of Victoria Commonwealth University. Opponents of this heavily publicised event argue that reform should be restricted to social matters, and that matters of worship (ibadah) are not open to reform.

## ISLAM AND ANARCHISM.

In the last few years, there has been talk knocking about on the idea of Islamic Anarchism, primarily from the US-based punk Muslim Michael Knight ([http://www.muslimwakeup.com/events/archives/2005/02/mike\\_knight\\_on.php](http://www.muslimwakeup.com/events/archives/2005/02/mike_knight_on.php)). But there has been sparse evidence of any coherent online presence of Muslim Anarchists, until June 20th, 2005, when Yakoub Islam, a British-based Muslim, published his online Muslim Anarchist Charter (<http://www.bayyinah.org.uk/manarchist.htm>).

The charter asserted a set of basic principles for Anarchist thought and action founded on a Muslim perspective. These reaffirm some

of the core principles of Islam, including a belief in God, the Prophecy of Muhammad (peace be upon him) and the human soul, but assert the possibility that a Muslim's spiritual path might be achieved by refusing to compromise with institutional power in any form, be it judicial, religious, social, corporate or political. Muslims are thus challenged to establish a society where spiritual growth is "uninhibited by tyranny, poverty and ignorance". It is in the fervent assertion of the principle of no compromise, driven by a utopian vision of humanity living in peace and co-operation, that the faith of Islam and the politics of Anarchism are said to meet.

Yakoub, formerly Julian Anderson, originally discovered Anarchism in the 1980s through the works of the punk band CRASS, but distanced himself from the anti-religious, drug-enfeebled British punk Muslim scene in the late 1980s to explore academic learning, eventually converting to Islam in 1991. A lack of commitment and understanding saw him retreat from religious practice during 1990s, returning to Islam only at the turn of the Millennium when he began working with Muslim children in inner city schools. Over the last 18 months, Yakoub has become an increasingly visible cyber activist at the same time as caring for his 12 year old son, who is profoundly autistic.

Almost from the beginning of his journey into the Muslim faith, Yakoub was disturbed by the authoritarianism dogging much Islamic thought and practice. After discovering the writings of the radical progressive Muslim Farid Esack (<http://uk.geocities.com/faridesack/>), Yakoub began to explore anti-authoritarian interpretations of Islam, and consequently initiated an online project based on Carolyn Ellis's (<http://sobek.colorado.edu/SOC/SI/si-ellis.htm>) concept of autoethnography called TGP (<http://www.bayyinah.org.uk/tgpex.htm>).

Yakoub is cautious in describing himself as a Muslim Anarchist (or an Anarchist Muslim), rather than talking about Islamic

Anarchism, because the evidence from social research points to a considerable diversity within the Muslim community or ummah, with some anthropologists reluctant to talk about a single 'Islam'. Neither is there, of course, a single 'Anarchism', and the publication of the Muslim Anarchist charter marks the beginning of an intellectual and political discussion, rather than the creation of a new political or religious ideology, insha Allah.

#### SEE ALSO

- Sir Sayed Ahmad Khan
- Muhammad Ali of Egypt
- Modern Islamic philosophy
- Liberal Christianity
- Reform Judaism
- Woman imam
- 99 Precepts
- Islam SyariaatSh. Nadzir As Saghir


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- Ijtihad.org (<http://www.ijtihad.org/>) by Muqtedar Khan
- AMILA (<http://www.amila.org/>) American Muslims Intent on Learning and Activism
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## What is Islamic Philosophy?

Islamic philosophy is the attempt to fuse the fields of philosophy with the religious teachings of Islam.

As with any fusion of religion and philosophy, the attempt is difficult because classical philosophers start with no

preconditions for which conclusions they must reach in their investigation, while classical religious believers have a set of religious principles of faith that they hold one must believe. Indeed, due to these divergent goals and views, some hold that one cannot simultaneously be a philosopher and a true adherent of Islam, which is believed to be a revealed religion by its adherents. In this view, all attempts at synthesis ultimately must fail.

Others, however, hold that a synthesis between Islam and philosophy is possible. One way to find a synthesis is to use philosophical arguments to prove that one's preset religious principles are true. This is a common technique found in the writings of many religious traditions, including Judaism, Christianity and Islam, but this is not generally accepted as true philosophy by philosophers. Another way to find a synthesis is to abstain from holding as true any religious principles of one's faith at all, unless one independently comes to those conclusions from a philosophical analysis. However, this is not generally accepted as being faithful to one's religion by adherents of that religion. A third, rarer and more difficult path is to apply analytical philosophy to one's own religion. In this case a religious person would also be a philosopher, by asking questions such as:

- What is the nature of God? How do we know that God exists?
- What is the nature of revelation? How do we know that God reveals his will to mankind?
- Which of our religious traditions must be interpreted literally?
- Which of our religious traditions must be interpreted allegorically?
- What must one actually believe to be considered a true adherent of our religion?
- How can one reconcile the findings of philosophy with religion?
- How can one reconcile the findings of science with religion?

This is the task of Islamic philosophy.

## INTRODUCTION

This idea of Islamic philosophy dates from the appearance of dissenting sects in Islam. A century had hardly elapsed after the life of Muhammad (known as the sira) when religious schisms began to arise.

At this point readers may want to review early Muslim philosophy.

## FORMATIVE INFLUENCES

Islamic philosophy as the name implies refers to Philosophical activity within the Islamic Mileau. The main sources of classical or early Islamic Philosophy are the religion of Islam itself, the Greek Philosophical heritage which the early Muslims inherited as a result of conquests when Alexandria, Syria and Jundishapur came under Muslim rule. Many of the early philosophical debates centered around reconciling religion and reason. The latter being exemplified by Greek Philosophy.

## THE CLASSICAL PERIOD

Independent minds exploiting the methods of ijtihad sought to investigate the doctrines of the Qur'an, which until then had been accepted in blind faith on the authority of divine revelation. The first independent protest was that of the *Kadar* (Arabic: kadara, to have power), whose partisans affirmed the freedom of the will, in contrast with the *Jabarites* (jabar, force, constraint), who maintained the belief in fatalism.

In the second century of the Hegira, a schism arose in the theological schools of Basra. A pupil, Wasil ibn Atha, who was expelled from the school because his answers were contrary to then orthodox Islamic tradition, proclaimed himself leader of a new school, and systematized the radical opinions of preceding sects, particularly those of the Kadarites. This new school or sect was called *Mutazilite* or *Motazilite* (from itazala, to separate oneself, to dissent). Its principal dogmas were three:

1. God is an absolute unity, and no attribute can be ascribed to Him.
2. Man is a free agent. It is on account of these two principles that the Motazilites designate themselves the "Partisans of Justice and Unity".
3. All knowledge necessary for the salvation of man emanates from his reason; humans could acquire knowledge before, as well as after, Revelation, by the sole light of reason. This fact makes knowledge obligatory upon all men, at all times, and in all places.

The Motazilites, compelled to defend their principles against the orthodox Islam of their day, looked for support in philosophy, and founded a rational theology called "Ilm-al-Kalam" (Science of the Word); those professing it were called Motekallamin. This appellation, originally designating the Motazilites, soon became the common name for all seeking philosophical demonstration in confirmation of religious principles. The first Motekallamin had to combat both the orthodox and the infidel parties, between whom they occupied the middle ground; but the efforts of subsequent generations were entirely concentrated against the philosophers.

From the ninth century onward, owing to Calif al-Ma'mun and his successor, Greek philosophy was introduced among the Persians and Arabs, and the Peripatetic school began to find able representatives among them; such were Al-Kindi, Al-Farabi, Ibn Sina(Avicinna), and Ibn Rushd(Averroës), all of whose fundamental principles were considered as heresies by the Motekallamin.

During the Abbasid caliphate a number of thinkers and scientists, many of them non-Muslims or heretical Muslims, played a role in transmitting Greek, Hindu, and other pre-Islamic knowledge to the Christian West. They contributed to making Aristotle known in Christian Europe. Three speculative thinkers, the Persians, al-Farabi, and Avicenna, and Arab thinker, al-Kindi combined Aristotelianism and Neoplatonism with other ideas introduced through Islam. They were highly unorthodox and it is open to question whether they could be considered Islamic philosophers.

From Spain the Arabic philosophic literature was translated into Hebrew and Latin, contributing to the development of modern European philosophy. The Egyptian philosophers Moses Maimonides (who was Jewish) and Ibn Khaldun were also important.

Aristotle attempted to demonstrate the unity of God; but from the view which he maintained, that matter was eternal, it followed that God could not be the Creator of the world. To assert that God's knowledge extends only to the general laws of the universe, and not to individual and accidental things, is tantamount to denying prophecy. One other point shocked the faith of the Motekallamin — the theory of the intellect. The Peripatetics taught that the human soul was only an aptitude — a faculty capable of attaining every variety of passive perfection — and that through information and virtue it became qualified for union with the active intellect, which latter emanates from God. To admit this theory would be to deny the immortality of the soul.

Wherefore the Motekallamin had, before anything else, to establish a system of philosophy to demonstrate the creation of matter, and they adopted to that end the theory of atoms as enunciated by Democritus. They taught that atoms possess neither quantity nor extension. Originally atoms were created by God, and are created now as occasion seems to require. Bodies come into existence or die, through the aggregation or the sunderance of these atoms. But this theory did not remove the objections of philosophy to a creation of matter.

For, indeed, if it be supposed that God commenced His work at a certain definite time by His "will," and for a certain definite object, it must be admitted that He was imperfect before accomplishing His will, or before attaining His object. In order to obviate this difficulty, the Motekallamin extended their theory of the atoms to Time, and claimed that just as Space is constituted of atoms and vacuum, Time, likewise, is constituted of small indivisible moments. The creation of the world once established, it was an



easy matter for them to demonstrate the existence of a Creator, and that God is unique, omnipotent, and omniscient.

The oldest religio-philosophical work preserved is that of the Jewish philosopher Saadia Gaon (892-942), *Emunot ve-Deot*, "The Book of Beliefs and Opinions". In this work Saadia treats the questions that interested the Motekallamim, such as the creation of matter, the unity of God, the divine attributes, the soul, etc. Saadia criticizes other philosophers severely. For Saadia there was no problem as to creation: God created the world *ex nihilo*, just as the Bible attests; and he contests the theory of the Motekallamin in reference to atoms, which theory, he declares, is just as contrary to reason and religion as the theory of the philosophers professing the eternity of matter.

To prove the unity of God, Saadia uses the demonstrations of the Motekallamin. Only the attributes of essence (*sifat-al-datiat*) can be ascribed to God, but not the attributes of action (*sifat-al-af'aliyat*). The soul is a substance more delicate even than that of the celestial spheres. Here Saadia controverts the Motekallamin, who considered the soul an "accident" (compare "Moreh," i. 74), and employs the following one of their premises to justify his position: "Only a substance can be the substratum of an accident" (that is, of a non-essential property of things). Saadia argues: "If the soul be an accident only, it can itself have no such accidents as wisdom, joy, love," etc. Saadia was thus in every way a supporter of the Kalam; and if at times he deviated from its doctrines, it was owing to his religious views; just as the Jewish and Moslem Peripatetics stopped short in their respective Aristotelianism whenever there was danger of wounding orthodox religion.

The twelfth century saw the apotheosis of pure philosophy and the decline of the Kalam, which latter, being attacked by both the philosophers and the orthodox, perished for lack of champions. This supreme exaltation of philosophy was due, in great measure, to Ghazali (1005-1111) among the Persians, and to Judah ha-Levi

(1140) among the Jews. In fact, the attacks directed against the philosophers by Ghazali in his work, "Tuhfat al-Falasafa" (The Destruction of the Philosophers), not only produced, by reaction, a current favorable to philosophy, but induced the philosophers themselves to profit by his criticism, they thereafter making their theories clearer and their logic closer. The influence of this reaction brought forth the two greatest philosophers that the Islamic Peripatetic school ever produced, namely, Ibn Baja (Aven Pace) and Ibn Roshd (Averroes), both of whom undertook the defense of philosophy.

Since no idea and no literary or philosophical movement ever germinated on Persian or Arabian soil without leaving its impress on the Jews, the Persian Ghazali found an imitator in the person of Judah ha-Levi. This poet took upon himself to free his religion from what he saw as the shackles of speculative philosophy, and to this end wrote the "Kuzari," in which he sought to discredit all schools of philosophy alike. He passes severe censure upon the Motekallamin for seeking to support religion by philosophy. He says, "I consider him to have attained the highest degree of perfection who is convinced of religious truths without having scrutinized them and reasoned over them" ("Kuzari," v.). Then he reduced the chief propositions of the Motekallamin, to prove the unity of God, to ten in number, describing them at length, and concluding in these terms: "Does the Kalam give us more information concerning God and His attributes than the prophet did?" (Ib. iii. and iv.) Aristotelianism finds no favor in Judah ha-Levi's eyes, for it is no less given to details and criticism; Neoplatonism alone suited him somewhat, owing to its appeal to his poetic temperament.

Ibn Rushd (or Ibn Roshd or Averroës), the contemporary of Maimonides, closed the first great philosophical era of the Muslims. The boldness of this great commentator of Aristotle aroused the full fury of the orthodox, who, in their zeal, attacked all philosophers indiscriminately, and had all philosophical

writings committed to the flames. The theories of Ibn Roshd do not differ fundamentally from those of Ibn Baja and Ibn Tufail, who only follow the teachings of Ibn Sina and Al-Farabi. Like all Islamic Peripatetics, Ibn Roshd admits the hypothesis of the intelligence of the spheres and the hypothesis of universal emanation, through which motion is communicated from place to place to all parts of the universe as far as the supreme world — hypotheses which, in the mind of the Arabic philosophers, did away with the dualism involved in Aristotle's doctrine of pure energy and eternal matter.

But while Al-Farabi, Ibn Sina, and other Persian and Muslim philosophers hurried, so to speak, over subjects that trenched on religious dogmas, Ibn Roshd delighted in dwelling upon them with full particularity and stress. Thus he says, "Not only is matter eternal, but form is potentially inherent in matter; otherwise, it were a creation ex nihilo (Munk, "Mélanges," p. 444). According to this theory, therefore, the existence of this world is not only a possibility, as Ibn Sina declared — in order to make concessions to the orthodox — but also a necessity.

Driven from the Islamic schools, Islamic philosophy found a refuge with the Jews, to whom belongs the honor of having transmitted it to the Christian world. A series of eminent men — such as the Ibn Tibbons, Narboni, Gersonides — joined in translating the Arabic philosophical works into Hebrew and commenting upon them. The works of Ibn Roshd especially became the subject of their study, due in great measure to Maimonides, who, in a letter addressed to his pupil Joseph ibn Aknin, spoke in the highest terms of Ibn Roshd's commentary.

#### LATER MUSLIM PHILOSOPHY

The death of Ibn Roshd effectively marks the end of the classical or early era of Islamic philosophy. Philosophical activity declined significantly in the Islamic lands in the West namely in Spain and North Africa though it held for much longer in the Eastern lands


like Iran. The most notable luminary of the later period is Ibn Khaldun who put forward one of the first systematic philosophies of history. Mulla Sadra (1571-1637) also known as Sadr al-Din Shirazi was the most significant in terms of influence on Islamic Philosophy in Persia in the later period. Mulla Sadr synthesized the Philosophies of Ibn Sina, Sehrawardi and Ibn Arabi. The Iraninan Philosopher Hadi Ibn Mahdi Sabzawari was also deeply influenced by Mulla Sadra.

## MODERN MUSLIM PHILOSOPHY

*Modern Islamic philosophy seeks in some respects to renew the dialogue between Mutazilite and Asharite views about ethics in knowledge. An example is the Islamization of knowledge, and the view of khalifa of Seyyed Hossein Nasr. There is a separate article on these new trends.*

## SEE ALSO

- Islam
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- Modern Islamic philosophy

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## Sociology of knowledge

The sociology of knowledge is the study of the social origins of ideas, and of the effects prevailing ideas have on societies.  
(Compare history of ideas.)

The term first came into widespread use in the 1920s, when a number of German-speaking sociologists wrote extensively on it, notably Max Scheler, and Karl Mannheim with *Ideology and Utopia*. With the dominance of functionalism through the middle years of the 20th century, the sociology of knowledge tended to remain on the periphery of mainstream sociological thought. It was largely reinvented and applied much more closely to

everyday life in the 1960s, particularly by Peter L. Berger and Thomas Luckmann in *The social construction of reality* (1966) and is still central for methods dealing with qualitative understanding of human society. Compare socially constructed reality.

Although very influential within modern sociology, the sociology of knowledge can claim its most significant impact on science more generally through its contribution to debate and understanding of the nature of science itself, most notably through the work of Thomas Kuhn on *The structure of scientific revolutions* (see also: paradigm).

## SCHOOLS

### Karl Mannheim

The German political philosophers Karl Marx (1818–1883) and Friedrich Engels (1820–1895) argued in *Die Deutsche Ideologie* (1846, *German Ideology*) and elsewhere that people's ideologies, including their social and political beliefs and opinions, are rooted in their class interests, and more generally in the social and economic circumstances in which they live: "It is men, who in developing their material inter-course, change, along with this their real existence, their thinking and the products of their thinking. Life is not determined by consciousness, but consciousness by life" (*Marx-Engels Gesamtausgabe* 1/5).

Under the influence of this doctrine, and of Phenomenology, the Hungarian-born German sociologist Karl Mannheim (1893–1947) gave impetus to the growth of the sociology of knowledge with his *Ideologie und Utopie* (1929, translated and extended in 1936 as *Ideology and Utopia*), although the term had been introduced five years earlier by the co-founder of the movement, the German philosopher and social theorist Max Scheler (1874–1928), in *Versuche zu einer Soziologie des Wissens* (1924, *Attempts at a Sociology of Knowledge*). A strong interpretation claims that all knowledge and beliefs are the products of socio-political forces, but this version is self-defeating, because if it is true, then it too is

merely a product of socio-political forces and has no claim to truth and no persuasive force. Mannheim sought to escape this paradox by exempting free-floating intellectuals, whom he claimed were only loosely anchored in social traditions, relatively detached from the class system, and capable of avoiding the pitfalls of total ideologies and of forging a "dynamic synthesis" of the ideologies of other groups.

See also: epistemology, sociology.

### Phenomenological sociology

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### Michel Foucault

A particularly important strain of the sociology of knowledge is the criticism by Michel Foucault. In *Madness and Civilization: A History of Insanity in the Age of Reason*, 1961, he argued that conceptions of madness and what was considered "reason" or "knowledge" was itself subject to major culture bias - in this respect mirroring similar criticisms by Thomas Szasz, at the time the foremost critic of psychiatry, and himself now an eminent psychiatrist. A point where Foucault and Szasz agreed was that sociological processes played the major role in defining "madness" as an "illness" and prescribing "cures".

In *The Birth of the Clinic: An Archaeology of Medical Perception*, 1963, Foucault extended his critique to all of modern scientific medicine, arguing for the central conceptual metaphor of "The Gaze", which had implications for medical education, prison design, and the carceral state as understood today. Concepts of criminal justice and its intersection with medicine were better developed in this work than in Szasz and others, who confined their critique to current psychiatric practice.

Finally, in *The Order of Things: An Archaeology of the Human Sciences*, 1966, and *The Archaeology of Knowledge*, 1969, Foucault

introduced the abstract notions of mathesis and taxonomia. These, he claimed, had transformed 17th and 18th century studies of "general grammar" into modern "linguistics", "natural history" into modern "biology", and "analysis of wealth" into modern "economics". Not, claimed Foucault, without loss of meaning. The 19th century had transformed what knowledge was.

Perhaps Foucault's best-known and most controversial claim was that before the 18th century, "Man did not exist". The notions of humanity and of humanism were inventions or creations of this 19th century transformation. Accordingly, a cognitive bias had been introduced unwittingly into science, by over-trusting the individual doctor or scientist's ability to see and state things objectively. This study still guides the sociology of knowledge and has been claimed to have sparked single-handedly much of postmodernism.

### **Bruno Latour**

Bruno Latour is a French sociologist of science best known for his books *We Have Never Been Modern*, *Laboratory Life*, and *Science in Action*, describing the process of scientific research from the perspective of social construction based on field observations of working scientists.

### **The sociology of mathematical knowledge**

Studies of mathematical practice and quasi-empiricism in mathematics are also rightly part of the sociology of knowledge, since they focus on the community of those who practice mathematics and their common assumptions. Since Eugene Wigner raised the issue in 1960 and Hilary Putnam made it more rigorous in 1975, the question of why fields such as physics and mathematics should agree so well has been in question. Proposed solutions point out that the fundamental constituents of mathematical thought, space, form-structure, and number-proportion are also the fundamental constituents of physics. It is


also worthwhile to note that physics is nothing but a modeling of reality, and seeing causal relationships governing repeatable observed phenomena, and much of mathematics has been developed precisely for the goal of developing these models in a rigorous fashion. Another approach is to suggest that there is no deep problem, that the division of human scientific thinking through using words such as 'mathematics' and 'physics' is only useful in their practical everyday function to categorify and distinguish.

Fundamental contributions to the sociology of mathematical knowledge have been made by Sal Restivo and David Bloor. Restivo draws upon the work of scholars such as Oswald Spengler (The Decline of the West, 1926), Raymond L. Wilder and Lesley A. White, as well as contemporary sociologists of knowledge and science studies scholars. David Bloor draws upon Ludwig Wittgenstein and other contemporary thinkers. They both claim that mathematical knowledge is socially constructed and has irreducible contingent and historical factors woven into it. More recently Paul Ernest has proposed a social constructivist account of mathematical knowledge, drawing on the works of both of these sociologists.

An interesting artifact in the sociology of knowledge is the Erdős number (the length of the smallest path in the network of all mathematicians to Paul Erdős).

#### SEE ALSO

- Sociology of scientific knowledge
- Knowledge Management

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 10/06/2011

To: Counterterrorism

Attn: [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

(U) Case ID #: (S) [REDACTED]

(U) (S) [REDACTED]

Title: (S) (U) ANWAR NASSER AULAQI  
CT - SUNNI EXTREMISM - MIDDLE EAST

(S) (U) SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - SUNNI EXTREMISM - MIDDLE EAST

(U) [REDACTED]

(U) Synopsis: (S) (NF) Document [REDACTED] compliance with  
FBIHQ instructions contained in referenced serial; lead covered.

~~Derived From : FBI NSISCG-20080301~~  
~~Declassify On: 20361006~~

(U) [REDACTED]

(U) (S) Reference: [REDACTED]

(U) Details: (S) (NF) In response to referenced serial, [REDACTED]  
undertook the following actions:

(U//LES) Command Post Operations:

(U) [REDACTED] operated a command post staffed by a SSA,  
a SA, and an analyst from [REDACTED]

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To: From: [redacted]

(U) Re: (S) [redacted] 10/06/2011

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[redacted] Additional analytical and investigative personnel were on standby during the same period.

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(U) To: From: [redacted]  
Re: (S) [redacted] 10/06/2011

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(U//~~FOUO~~) All [redacted] were  
contacted [redacted]  
against the requirements listed below.

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To: [redacted]  
(U) Re: (S) [redacted] 10/06/2011

(U) Airport Liaison

[redacted] (S)

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(U) Community Outreach

(U) Liaison with [redacted] to  
include the forwarding of [redacted] was  
conducted throughout the weekend.

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To: [REDACTED]  
(U) Re: (S) [REDACTED] 10/06/2011

LEAD(s) :

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COUNTERTERRORISM

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/24/2012

To: Charlotte

Attn: SA [REDACTED]  
IA [REDACTED]

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From: Charlotte

Contact: SOS [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: (U) [REDACTED] Closed) [REDACTED]

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(U) Title: ~~(S//NF)~~ SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - SUNNI EXTREMISM - MIDDLE EAST

Synopsis: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED] (S)

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Administrative: ~~(X//FOUO)~~ [REDACTED] (S)

Enclosures: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED] (S)

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Details: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED] (S)

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/24/2012

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Set Lead 1: (Info)

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AT CHARLOTTE, NC

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 10/13/2011

To: Charlotte

Attn: SA [REDACTED]

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From: Charlotte

Contact: [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

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(U) Case ID #: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED] (Pending)

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Synopsis: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED] (S)

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(U) Reference: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED]

Details: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED] (S)

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To: Charlotte From: Charlotte  
(U) Re: ~~(S//NF)~~ [REDACTED] 10/13/2011

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LEAD(s):

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AT CHARLOTTE HQ CITY

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 05/14/2012

To: Records Management

Attn: UC [REDACTED]  
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From: Charlotte  
[REDACTED]

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: (U) [REDACTED]  
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Title: (U) SHAREPOINT ARCHIVE REQUEST  
CHARLOTTE DIVISION

(U) ~~(S)~~ SAMIR ZAFAR KHAN  
CT - SUNNI EXTREMISM - MIDDLE EAST

(U) Synopsis: ~~(S)~~ To request that Records Management Division (RMD)  
assist Charlotte Division archive the case sharepoint site for  
captioned closed investigation of Samir Khan.

~~Derived From: FBI NSISCG 20080301~~  
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Administrative: ~~(S)~~ ~~(NF)~~ [REDACTED]  
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To: Records Management From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2012

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Details:

(U) CASE OVERVIEW

(S) ~~(S//NF)~~ [redacted] In late 2006, Samir Khan (born in 1985) came to the attention of the FBI for his role in administering a fundamentalist Islamic, pro-jihad, online blog from his parents' home in Charlotte, NC. On this online blog, as well as on several other online blogs, forums, and web sites with similar content, Khan expressed a radical Islamic worldview. Khan's popular online blog, which he operated from 2005 until 2009, gained him international attention in 2007. From early 2007 until late 2009, investigation of Khan revealed that this self-proclaimed Salafi-Jihadi became increasingly religious and radical over time. Major discoveries of the investigation include: [redacted] (S)

[redacted] Khan became a radicalizing influence on others, possibly motivating/recruiting them for jihad; individuals close to Khan expressed concern that Khan may become a martyr, and he himself indicated an interest in becoming a martyr; Khan created the first US-based, English language, pro-jihad magazine, known as "Jihad Recollections," which published four issues online and received significant international attention; and in October 2009, Khan traveled to Yemen, apparently to make hijra.

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To: Records Management From: Charlotte  
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(U) ~~(S)~~ On 02/01/2012, Charlotte Division closed this investigation.

(U) CASE SHAREPOINT

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To: Records Management From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2012

(U) REQUEST

(U) ~~(S)~~ It is the case agent's understanding that current sharepoint sites have a finite lifespan. In an attempt to preserve and archive the [redacted] [redacted] case agent respectfully requests that RMD copy the aforementioned [redacted] to removable media and provide that removable media to case agent for entry into captioned closed case's file.

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To: Records Management From: Charlotte  
Re: (U) [redacted] 05/14/2012

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(U) ~~(S)~~ Case agent respectfully requests that RMD  
copy the Samir Khan case sharepoint site [redacted]

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to removable media and provide that removable media to case agent  
for entry into captioned closed case's file.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: Routine

Date: 06/13/2012

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Charlotte

From:

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Contact: SA

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Approved By:

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Case ID #: (S)

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Set Lead 2: (Info)

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(U) ~~(S//NF)~~ Read and clear.

Set Lead 3: (Info)

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(U) ~~(S//NF)~~ Read and clear.

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